

## Employees to get 8% pay hike

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TEL AVIV. — The approximately half-million workers in privately-owned enterprises will get an 8 per cent wage erosion allowance, according to the terms of an agreement signed on Friday by representatives of the Histadrut and the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations. The first payment will be made by March 25. (Picture on Page 2)

According to the agreement, which is retroactive to February 1, workers will get at least 153,000 a month on basic salaries up to 1575,000. It will be applied also to payments for overtime work and bonuses so that actual sums may be higher.

Histadrut Trade Union Department head Israel Kessar told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that on average this raise will give workers in privately-owned enterprises about the same compensation as the public servants received in an earlier agreement. The public servants' allowance was calculated at a flat 155,000 a month plus 1566 for every year of seniority. Kessar said workers in low grades in the public service sector will do better than those in privately-owned enterprises but private employers will pay more to employees in the top brackets.

Kessar said that some privately-owned enterprises have already given workers raises, and these firms will have to pay the 8 per cent raise as well unless their management and staffs agree that the former are advances. If the advances were more than 8 per cent, employers will have to continue paying them higher rates and those paid less than 8 per cent will have to make up the remainder, he said.

In exchange for the raise, the labour federation undertook to maintain industrial peace — but added the proviso that there will be "genuine" negotiations for a 1984-86 wage agreement and that the government restrain price rises.

The parties will now begin negotiating a new cost-of-living allowance agreement to replace the present agreement that expires at the end of March. They have agreed to continue applying the present arrangement unless an agreement is reached by Thursday.

Meanwhile, Kessar asked the employers organization to press its members to allow employees to unionize. Several sophisticated electronics enterprises such as Elscint and Elbit have concluded personal agreements with their staff and Kessar told his counterpart in the Coordinating Bureau, Uzi Netanel, not to be neutral on this issue.

The struggle against personal agreements will involve "unusual measures," the trade union leader warned.

## Libyans are blamed for blasts in London

LONDON (AP). — Scotland Yard blamed Libyans yesterday for a pre-dawn London bomb blitz that ripped through a night club frequented by Arabs, injuring 23 people, and damaged a store selling Arab newspapers.

Four other bombs went off outside Arab newspaper shops.

The head of the Yard's anti-terrorist branch, Commander William Huckleby, told a news conference that three Libyans who left the night club shortly before the blast were being sought for questioning.

Huckleby said police "are assuming" the blasts were aimed at opponents of Libyan leader Col. Muammar Gaddafi.

He warned Libyans in London, both pro- and anti-Gaddafi, and other members of London's large Islamic community to beware of further attacks.

Police said a total of five bombs, each consisting of a kilogram of explosives tied to a timer, were

planted but that only two went off without warning. The others were detonated by authorities under controlled conditions and did no damage, a Yard spokesman said.

Only four of the 23 injured remained hospitalized last night. Walid Rifai, 22, was reported in satisfactory condition with extensive leg burns, and Asam el-Shahar, 35, and Sabah Montaser, 29, were undergoing surgery for undisclosed injuries. An unidentified woman was reported in satisfactory condition.

The first of the bombs exploded outside a newspaper shop on Queensway, a shopping street frequented by Arabs in London's Bayswater district.

Not long after, at around 4:15 a.m., a bomb went off in the basement of the Blue Angel night club in Mayfair, about a kilometre away.

Later in the morning, police detonated three other devices — another on Queensway and two outside a newspaper shop in Kensington.

## Situation worsens at struck hospitals

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Conditions worsened in government hospitals over the weekend as nurses, housekeeping personnel, kitchen and laundry staff and administrative workers entered their fifth day of an open-ended strike.

On Friday morning government laboratory personnel and central warehouse workers joined the strike, stopping access to medicines and equipment and allowing only "absolutely essential" laboratory procedures to be carried out, such as blood-transfusion typing.

Officials of the Civil Service Commission and Health Ministry Director-General Baruch Modan are to meet tonight with the union strike committee to try to settle the dispute before tomorrow morning, when the union threatens to stop honouring the back-to-work orders issued to 4,000 of the 13,000 strikers last Wednesday.

Among points to be discussed at the meeting are the workers' demands for two years' retroactive pay increments (originally promised to bring their salaries into line with those paid in the Histadrut's Kupat Holim hospitals) and the implementation of a 1972 decision to appoint a commission to study the gap between working conditions of government nurses and those in Kupat Holim hospitals.

At some hospitals, infant nurseries ran out of linen and besieged administrators were per-

mitting the emergency purchase of disposable diapers. Laundry, unwashed since last Wednesday, clogged the chutes and baskets and most hospitals said they were almost out of fresh sheets.

Sterile equipment, medicines and disposable supplies are nearly used up, and some head nurses said that they might soon be out of important drugs and other supplies.

In at least two government hospitals, some 25 per cent of the patients were discharged because of the strike. Dr. Elitzur Hazani of the government hospital in Nahariya told an Itim reporter that the emergency staff cannot cope with the number of patients and that he hopes to release more today.

But at Sheba Hospital in Tel Hashomer the ambulatory patients seemed more like picnicers, as they clustered in wards and on the lawn with their families and friends, who came well-supplied with food and beverages. Even the bed-ridden patients said the nurses at Sheba have done all they can to see that they suffer as little as possible.

Bella Saffrin, chairman of the Government Nurses Union, said that the nurses in particular are hoping that the strike will end soon. She said that far more nurses than were served with back-to-work orders are on the job and that they are doing all they can to take care of the patients, even without the necessary back-up services.



Petah Tikva Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Baruch Salomon leaves the town's police station yesterday a few hours after his arrest for allegedly taking part in a violent attack on a coffee house that was operating on the Sabbath. (IPPA)

## Petah Tikva's rabbi held after cafe riot in Shabbat protest

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
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PETAH TIKVA. — This town's Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi, Baruch Salomon, was arrested yesterday morning for allegedly leading a mob of hundreds of religious men who invaded and seriously damaged a cafe which was open on the Sabbath. He was released in the afternoon, after promising to return after Shabbat.

He returned to the police station last night, carried on the shoulders of masses of his followers, who continued to demonstrate while the rabbi was questioned inside about the incident.

Salomon was released at about 10 p.m., and the crowd of his supporters dispersed shortly afterwards. Briefing reporters Sharon area police commander Nit-zav Mishne Kalman Bornstein said that the rabbi had been arrested on suspicion of trespassing and causing damage. The investigation will continue, he added, and if evidence is found against him, Salomon will be charged.

Bornstein said the rabbi was arrested following a complaint by the owner of the cafe, who identified him as one of the attackers. The officer said that reports of injuries to two religious participants in the incident are being looked into.

The escalation in violence marked the third round of Petah Tikva's "Sabbath war," in which religious and secular residents, and their militant supporters from other communities, have squared off over the opening of a cinema and other businesses in the town following the adoption by the town council of a by-law permitting such activities on Friday evenings and Saturdays.

According to eyewitnesses, Salomon led hundreds of ultra-Orthodox people into cafe Gan Eden on Petah Tikva's Rehov Gutman to protest its operating on the Sabbath. The demonstrators spilled drinks on customers sitting at the cafe, broke its windows and tore doors out of their frames.

On Saturday morning, hundreds of ultra-Orthodox demonstrated against Sabbath desecration outside city hall, blocking entrance to the "Shabbatarbeit" talk programme being held inside. Knesset Member Yossi Sarid, who was to be interviewed, had to be smuggled in through the back door. Eventually, police arrived and pushed the

demonstrators aside and the event was held as planned.

On Friday night, several dozen Mapam Youth members and other secular people demonstrated outside city hall against religious coercion and for entertainment on weekends and holidays. That same evening, outside the town's Heichal Cinema, a large crowd of ultra-Orthodox demonstrated against its opening.

They sang and danced outside the cinema, preventing people from entering until some 80 Border Police managed to push aside the demonstrators, who did not have a permit. The film *The Wall*, was then screened without further disturbance. The demonstrators, dispersed at about midnight, after the movie was over.

Last night, thousands of Bnei Akiva religious youth movement members gathered for a demonstration in front of the Petah Tikva City Hall against the Shabbat openings. Participants danced to the music of a Hasidic band brought for the occasion by the organizers.

Knesset Members Mordechai Virshupski (Shinui) and Shulamit Aloni (Ratz) yesterday protested to Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir against his assistant Yoram Bar-Sela's letter to Petah Tikva Mayor Dov Tavari, which was published last Thursday.

Bar-Sela advised Tavari that the by-law authorizing him to allow businesses to operate on weekends and holidays in Petah Tikva could not take effect until approval by Interior Minister Yosef Burg. Opening the Heichal Cinema at this stage is therefore illegal, he wrote.

Aloni and Virshupski noted in a letter to Zamir that while entertainment places are operated all over the country illegally on the Sabbath, only Petah Tikva's municipality has approved a by-law permitting this. Bar-Sela should ask Burg to confirm the by-law, instead of asking Tavari to adhere to the previous by-law, they stated.

## Soviet deputy premier in Damascus

# Moscow bidding for greater Mideast role

DAMASCUS. — First Deputy Premier of the Soviet Union Gaidar Aliyev arrived here yesterday in the first visit by a senior Soviet official in 10 years.

Western diplomats have said that Aliyev's trip, postponed last month after the death of Yuri Andropov, shows that Moscow aims to step up its involvement in the region.

An official Soviet source said, when the trip was first announced in February, that Aliyev "is going to work out some measures, including military ones, to restore peace in the region."

Although Syrian President Hafez Assad has frequently visited the Soviet Union in the past decade, Aliyev's trip is the first by a Politburo member since Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko came here in 1974.

Syria is Moscow's chief Middle East ally and a major recipient of Soviet military aid. Since Israel invaded Lebanon in 1982 and destroyed most Soviet-built Syrian weapons there, the Kremlin has fully re-equipped the Syrian forces.

Western intelligence sources estimate there are some 5,000 Soviet personnel in Syria assigned to man key missile installations.

Western analysts in Moscow said Aliyev's trip would probably include an all-round review of Middle East problems, including the Gulf war that has flared anew between Iran and Iraq.

On Thursday, the Soviets issued an official statement through the Tass news agency condemning U.S. moves to keep shipping and air traf-

fic flowing in the Gulf area despite the fighting between the Iraqis and Iranians.

Another topic likely to be on the agenda is the Palestine Liberation Organization, which has been rent by struggles pitting two Moscow allies — Syria and PLO leader Yasser Arafat — against one another.

The situation in Lebanon is expected to dominate Aliyev's talks, however.

Aliyev was greeted on arrival here by Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam, who used the occasion to call on Arafat to abrogate its treaty with Israel.

He said that Egypt should "imitate the small country that is Lebanon" and cancel the treaty. "I am sure if they do, the entire Arab nation will stand with them," Khaddam said. (AP, Reuters)



Gaidar Aliyev. (UPI)

## Fighting intensifies in Beirut

# Lebanon heads arriving in Lausanne for talks

LAUSANNE. — Lebanon's eight most powerful Christian and Muslim leaders are to sit together in the tranquility of this Swiss city tomorrow in yet another attempt to end the Lebanese civil war.

Lebanon's National Reconciliation Conference will open at 10 a.m. at the heavily-guarded, 123-year-old Beau Rivage Hotel overlooking Lake Geneva.

In Beirut, meanwhile, 14 people, including four Lebanese Army soldiers, were killed in intensified fighting yesterday, and dozens were wounded, police reported. Shells continued to fall in widespread areas of both West and East Beirut after nightfall, and police sources said that some landed in Ba'abda, the hilly area east of the capital where the Lebanese presidential palace is located.

Seven participants arrived in Geneva yesterday and officials expected all eight to be in Lausanne by tonight.

Lebanese President Amin Jemayel will inaugurate the conference with a speech, Lebanese officials said. The conferees then will begin their crucial discussions over political and constitutional reforms they view necessary for building a "new Lebanon" in which Muslims and Christians have an equal share of power.

The Syrian-backed Lebanese opposition, spearheaded by Druse leader Walid Jumblatt and Shi'ite Muslim leader Nabih Berri, have prepared a joint plan for political and constitutional reforms to discuss at the conference. It calls for administrative decentralization, shortening the term for presidency to three years instead of six and the creation of a senate that would elect

future presidents in a joint session with the country's current 99-seat parliament.

Christian leaders — Pierre Jemayel, founder and leader of the largest right-wing group, the Phalange party, and former president Camille Chamoun, leader of the Lebanese Front coalition of Christian groupings — advocate a federal system in Lebanon.

The two, who arrived in Geneva yesterday, have repeatedly said they would refuse suggestions for the creation of a senate and other constitutional reforms until Syrian and Israeli forces, which occupy about two-thirds of Lebanon, withdraw.

Chamoun and Jemayel, who arrived on the same plane with former prime minister Saeb Salem, a moderate Sunni Muslim, and Abdel Oseiran, a moderate Shi'ite Muslim, say sensitive internal issues cannot be discussed "under the threat of guns."

There has been no suggestion of changing the tradition in Lebanon, under which presidents are elected from the Maronite Catholic community, prime ministers from the Sunni Muslim and parliament speakers from the Shi'ite Muslim sects.

Upon his arrival in Geneva, Pierre Jemayel said he hoped that "the results this time will be better than last time." He was referring to last December, when the conference's first meeting broke off after the parties involved disagreed over the fate of Lebanon's May 17, 1983 troop withdrawal agreement with Israel.

Last week, the Lebanese president scrapped the accord to persuade his Syrian-backed opposition (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

## Police ready for citrus protesters

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TEL AVIV. — Police in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv say they will have extra forces on the streets this morning to handle a planned motorized demonstration by people in the citrus industry. Police say they will arrest anyone who tries to interfere with the flow of traffic.

The citrus industry is protesting the government's failure to compensate them for recent losses on exports.

In addition to the farmers, the demonstrators will include citrus pickers, packing-house workers, port workers and truckers. More than 3,000 people are expected to travel in 50 to 60 buses to Jerusalem to demonstrate outside the Prime Minister's office, the Agriculture Ministry and the Finance Ministry. About 50 to 60 citrus-loaded trucks will pass through Tel Aviv. Here, too, the organizers have not disclosed the time or route, but *The Jerusalem Post* has been told by police that the truckers have been granted two hours to demonstrate, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

## Hadera paper storage lot still burning after 2 days

HADERA (Itim). — A new blaze sprang up last night at the Amnir paper recycling warehouse here, creating further problems for firefighters who have been struggling since Friday morning to contain the wind-swept fire at the plant.

An estimated 8,000 tons of waste paper spread over 20 dunams had burned by last night, with the fire spreading through lower levels of the paper despite jets of water aimed at the massive piles from 25 fire trucks.

Hadera fire station commander Ya'acov Marimshik, at the site since Friday morning, said last night that if the strong winds which accompanied the fire continue, it could burn for two more weeks, unless the paper bundles are separated and taken apart.

Three of the 50 firefighters on

duty at the blaze required treatment for their eyes, which were affected by the smoke. They were taken to Hillel Yaffe Hospital in Hadera and then returned to duty.

Amnir is a subsidiary of the American-Israel Paper Company in Hadera, and is responsible for collecting and storing used paper from throughout the country for recycling. Manager Uri Sapir estimated the damage by last night at millions of shekels. He predicted a paper shortage in the country as a result of the fire.

Beginning this morning, Amnir employees will undertake to separate every bundle of paper and make sure it is not burning.

Hadera firefighters are investigating to determine the cause of the blaze, and Amnir will set up a similar committee.

## Aguda threatens walkout over arrest of rabbi

Agudat Yisrael leaders last night threatened to leave the coalition over yesterday's Petah Tikva incident.

Meeting before Salomon was released from questioning last night, the party's four MKs warned that they could not support a government under which a rabbi is ar-

rested in his city on the Sabbath. MK Shlomo Lorincz said that the Petah Tikva police should be reprimanded for not waiting until nightfall, but he also voiced criticism of the Labour Party, calling it responsible for the ferment over Sabbath observation in the town.

The Soviet spy agency. According to Brooks, Akashi admits to having had "sleepless nights" over some of the activities of his department, noting wilyly, "You'll be surprised how little power I have."

Citing the testimony of Arkady Shevchenko, a KGB officer and UN undersecretary-general until his defection to the U.S. in 1978, Brooks claims the DPI plays a crucial role in the Soviet Union's disinformation campaign at the UN. Shevchenko claims that Mkrtychyan, head of the DPI's External Rela-

## KGB officer said to be in control of UN information arm

Special to The Jerusalem Post

WASHINGTON. — The UN's public relations arm is being effectively run by an officer of the Soviet KGB, a UN expert has charged in a report published by the Heritage Foundation, a conservative Washington think-tank.

Roger Brooks, the research institute's Roe Fellow in UN Studies, also claims in his report that the UN Department of Public Information (DPI) is being used to coordinate lobbying efforts aimed at the U.S. Congress, in probable violation of

American law. Moreover, Brooks says, since the U.S. provides one-fourth of all funds for the DPI, American taxpayers are in fact financing this KGB-directed lobbying effort.

The DPI is nominally headed by Yasushi Akashi, former Japanese ambassador to the UN and currently undersecretary-general for public information. However, Brooks claims, Akashi has little influence over the activities in his department. Instead, he says, the agency is being run by Akashi's deputy, Anatoly Mkrtychyan, an officer in

tions Division, coordinates the Soviet efforts. According to Shevchenko, Mkrtychyan is a KGB colonel, and has "mobilized" the entire DPI to serve Soviet policy goals. Among these Soviet goals, the Heritage Foundation fellow says, is lobbying Congress.

"One of the most serious deviations by DPI from its mandate has been its encouragement of national and international NGOs (non-governmental organizations) granted recognition by the UN) to lobby the

undersecretary-general of the UN, Brian Urquhart, will be in the Middle East this week for talks with government leaders on how the UN can contribute to a Lebanese solution.

Regarding the situation in Syria, officials here were hesitant at the weekend to offer a firm analysis because the behind-the-scenes battles for power are still under way. It appeared though, some officials said, that President Hafez Assad's brother Rifaat, now named one of the three vice-presidents, had succeeded in strengthening his position at the expense of other rivals.

The Israeli officials saw the continuing struggle as a jockeying for position in the succession stakes in Syria. The feeling there seems to be that Assad's long rule may be drawing to an end in view of his declining health.

## Jerusalem keeping close eye on Syrian power struggle

# IDF to continue planning pullback

By DAVID LANDAU  
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Israel's planning of its redeployment in South Lebanon will not be affected by the ongoing power struggle inside Syria, senior officials have assured *The Jerusalem Post*. While the situation in Damascus is fluid, and Jerusalem is watching it carefully, the Israel Defence Forces is completing its plans for a new line in Lebanon and will submit them to the cabinet shortly.

The officials said the issue is not on today's cabinet agenda. The intention, they said, is not to make "hasty" decisions. But the redeployment is certainly a matter of priority and the cabinet will address itself to it as soon as the army is ready.

One key element in the decision-making will be a possible role for the UN. The permanent

What is not clear is whether Assad himself feels this to be the case, and also whether he supports his highly unpopular brother, Rifaat, as his successor-designate. Rifaat Assad's standing among the prominent Alawite families is also still to be tested — as is the minority Alawites' ability to retain power if the president is indeed weakening.

Israeli observers believe Syria will act cautiously in Lebanon so long as there is uncertainty over the leadership in Damascus.

Urquhart will visit Jerusalem and Damascus, as well as other capitals in the region, to examine the prospects of revamping Unifil or otherwise designing a meaningful UN contribution to the peace-keeping in Lebanon. He will be in Jerusalem this week for informal talks, will then tour other capitals, (Continued on back page)



## The weather at major Swissair destinations

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AMSTERDAM	-1	30	5 41
BRUSSELS	-3	27	1 34
BUEENOS AIRES	-10	86	77
CHICAGO	-15	5	4 26
COPENHAGEN	-3	37	1 30
FRANKFURT	-9	51	1 38
GENEVA	-4	25	3 38
HELSINKI	-4	25	3 38
HONG KONG	14	57	15 59
JOHANNESBURG	13	55	78
LISBON	8	46	19 66
LONDON	4	30	8 46
MADRID	0	32	18 61
MONTREAL	-23	-9	10 14
NEW YORK	-8	18	9 32
OSLO	-3	27	1 30
PARIS	-2	28	6 43
RIO DE JANEIRO	22	72	34 92
SAO PAULO	19	66	30 88
STOCKHOLM	-2	28	0 32
TOKYO	2	26	6 43
TORONTO	-15	5	7 19
VIRGINIA	1	34	8 46
ZURICH	0	32	8 46

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### THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy, possibility of rain in the North.

Yesterday's	Humidity	Min-Max	Wind
Jerusalem	62	10-15	15
Golan	40	11-16	15
Nahariya	46	9-14	13
Salad	46	9-14	13
Haifa Port	63	16-19	19
Tiberias	55	18-23	21
Nazareth	44	11-18	18
Afula	54	16-20	20
Shomron	48	12-17	17
Tel Aviv	54	16-19	19
B-G Airport	53	12-20	20
Jericho	34	20-26	24
Gaza	66	16-19	19
Beersheba	44	14-22	22
Eilat	34	18-22	26

### SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Ya'al bazaar will be held at the Kennedy Building, Hadassah Hospital, Ein Kerem, from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. today.

### Big freeze in U.S.

NEW YORK (AP). — Record-setting cold hit the central and northeastern sections of the U.S. yesterday following a fierce late-winter storm that was blamed for at least 17 deaths.

A band of snowshowers spread from Michigan in the midwest to Arkansas 1,000 kilometres to the south, but sunny skies returned to the northeast, hard-hit by the storm that ended Friday.

The storm, packing strong winds, dumped up to 25 centimetres of snow on the northeast, closing airports in New York City and delaying hundreds of thousands of commuters.

The early morning 21 centigrade below zero reading yesterday broke a record in Waterloo, Iowa, and it was 20 below in Lincoln, Nebraska. Other records were set in Buffalo, New York, and Cleveland, Ohio, each at 13 below.

During Thursday's snowstorm, two jetliners passed dangerously close to a high-rise building about three kilometres from the White House while approaching Washington's National Airport, a top federal safety official said.

### Marine killed in Haifa car crash

HAIFA. — An American marine was killed and another injured when the car they were travelling in crashed into a wall in the upper Hader quarter of this city on Friday night, the police announced.

The dead man was identified as Tod Hailstrom, 21, and the injured man, who has been hospitalized, is Brian Gable, also 21.

Three other marines in the rented car, including the driver, Rig Shields, 21, were unhurt.

The five were on shore leave from the helicopter-carrier assault ship Guam. It arrived in the port on Thursday with 700 marines on board for four days of rest and recreation, after serving in Beirut and Grenada.

The Haifa police spokesman said the driver was negotiating a sharp left-hand bend when he apparently lost control of the vehicle.

### Welcome Back to Israel

Rabbi and Mrs. Max Gelb, of White Plains, New York, Asher and Lilian Wien, of Wien Gallery, Rabbi James Lebeau, Head of a 20-member party from Chelmsford, Mass.

From the Capt. Yehiel and Ruth Glovsky Langer Hospitality Foundation, One Mapu St., Jerusalem.

### Congratulations to Yossif Shahim, aged 24, of Nazareth, and Gideon Shafir, aged 25, of Tel Aviv,

both 5th year students at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical School on being awarded the prestigious annual scholarship, given by the Dr. Joseph R. and Anna R. Glovsky Acts of Loving Kindness Foundation, of Hull, Mass. and Jerusalem.

## HOME AND WORLD NEWS

### Disabled veteran threatens suicide at Knesset

A disabled Israel Defence Forces veteran, distraught over what he claims to be disregard for his condition by rehabilitation officials, on Thursday drove his car into a high-security entrance area of the Knesset and threatened to kill himself with a pocket knife.

After a tense hour-and-a-half while he sat in his locked car surrounded by Knesset guards and policemen, he gave himself up.

The man, Yossi Kakon, 25, of Beit Shemesh, was severely injured in a road accident near Palmahim in 1979, while serving in the IDF. He was discharged with a 55 per cent disability, said Kakon, and despite a series of operations, he has neither fully recovered nor been able to find work.

"I live on the third floor and have to climb about 30 steps every day," said Kakon. "I asked the Defence Ministry to transfer my right to a flat from Beit Shemesh to Jerusalem and to find me a home on the ground floor so that I can function."

Two weeks ago Kakon set up a tent opposite the Defence Ministry's rehabilitation office in Jerusalem's German Colony to press his demands. He brought with him his wife, Ruti, 21, his daughter, Miri, 2½, and his three-month-old son, Roni.

On Thursday, saying he was overcome by depression, Kakon took his infant son into the rehabilitation office and threatened to jump out the window with the baby in his arms. The office workers dissuaded him, he said. "Then I got the idea that the only answer would be to get to the Knesset. I planned to crash into the main gate and thus arouse public opinion."

Kakon drove to the Knesset in his Ford Sierra on Thursday afternoon. "I

got closer and I saw that the gate was open, apparently to let another car out. The guard signalled me with his hands, asking where I was going. I waved my disablement identification card and pointed towards the Knesset."

Kakon drove past the guard, through the VIP parking lot and came to a stop at the underground entrance used by ministers and Knesset members. There was little activity there, however, since the Knesset does not sit on Thursdays.

Kakon's car was immediately surrounded by security personnel, who tried for some 90 minutes to dissuade him from his threat to kill himself with a pocket knife. At one point, Kakon slashed some of his car's upholstery and threatened to set it alight.

At another point during the incident, Kakon blacked out for several minutes, apparently due to the tension. After police officers promised to bring his wife and to deal with his request for better treatment, Kakon agreed to drive his car out.

Once outside the VIP gate, Kakon's car was stopped by a police road-block and he surrendered. Officers searched his car for weapons and then arrested him. He was taken to police headquarters, booked for trespassing and released on bail.

Kakon immediately drove back to his tent opposite the rehabilitation office, where he announced that he would remain until his demands are met. (Iim)



A Tel Aviv crowd enjoys some street theatre on Dizengoff Street yesterday.

(Andre Brumman)

### Sandstorm causes diversion of two flights

Jerusalem Post Staff and AP

TEL AVIV. — A severe sandstorm and limited visibility forced the diversion of two international flights to alternative airports on Friday, Ben-Gurion Airport officials said.

An Alitalia flight from Rome landed at Larnaca, Cyprus, and a Swissair flight from Zurich landed at the Uvda airfield, near Eilat.

Cairo International Airport, which had been closed due to the sandstorm, reopened early Saturday, but Alexandria harbour remained closed.

Winds laden with sand from the western desert swept across a wide area of the Nile River delta on Friday, reducing visibility in many areas to a few metres and covering streets and buildings with thick coatings of fine, orange sand.

Police blamed poor visibility caused by the sandstorms for an accident in which a mini-bus crashed into a truck 12 kilometres west of Suez, killing 10 people and injuring four.

### Police eyed 4 JDL suspects for year before their arrest

By ROBERT ROSENBERG

Jerusalem Post Reporter

For more than a year the police had kept track of the four suspects in last Sunday's bus shooting near Ramallah, but only in December was that surveillance beefed up to the extent that, within hours of the attack, the four were under arrest as suspects.

Publication of the suspects' identities has been banned by the court. Two of the suspects arrived in the country from New York about six months ago. According to Jewish Defence League sources, they had studied weapons and explosives handling at one of the JDL's summer camps.

According to official sources, members of the group were under observation ever since they threatened to kill themselves in a Yami bunker in April 1982, if Yami was returned to Egypt.

However, the sources added, such police surveillance was "perfunctory."

In mid-December, however, a decision was made at the highest levels of security enforcement to focus on the radical right, because investigations into several attacks on Arabs and Arab institutions had become stalled.

Other Kach-affiliated people were also watched, and special attention was given to those with Israel Defence Forces training.

Meanwhile, the four were reportedly still not cooperating with their interrogators at the weekend. "They are expected to be able to meet with their lawyer, Meir Shechter, today, seven days after they were arrested."

The police are hoping to have further information about the four within the next few days, as New York and Los Angeles area police respond to requests for background on the suspects.

U.S. consular officials in Jerusalem have not yet met with any of the four, all of whom are Americans.

### Two grenades tossed at IDF convoy in Lebanon

NABATIYA (Iim). — Two hand grenades were thrown on Friday afternoon at an Israel Defence Forces convoy at the outskirts of this town in Southern Lebanon.

There were no casualties, IDF units fired at the attackers and searched the area.

### French minister here

French Industry and Research Minister Laurent Fabius arrived last night for a three-day stay here. He was met at Ben-Gurion Airport by Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orlag.

The guest will also meet with his counterpart Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Patt, expected home from Egypt this afternoon, with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and with Science and Development Minister Yuval Ne'eman. (Iim)

### LEBANON HEADS

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to join the peace talks.

Jumblatt, Berri and Sunni former premier Rashid Karamah left Damascus for Switzerland aboard a special flight yesterday after talks with Syrian leaders. Christian former president Suleiman Franjeh was due to leave later, after meeting with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

President Jumblatt also spoke with Assad yesterday by telephone to "exchange views on efforts to close Lebanese ranks," state-run Beirut Radio said.

Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan, who was with Jumblatt during his telephone conversation with Assad, told reporters afterwards: "We

hope the reconciliation dialogue in Lausanne will put an end to Lebanon's agonies and provide a new start for a better life."

After final consultations, Jumblatt then flew to the French resort city of Nice by private plane. He left by car immediately after arrival, and his destination was not known. He is expected in Lausanne today.

In the Beirut fighting, an artillery shell killed seven people in a medical clinic in yesterday's worst single incident. Officials at the Shiite Moslem Al-Zahrani Hospital, which had been treating people from the clinic attack, said some of those killed and injured were children. Many had been waiting their turn at the clinic.

Efforts were under way late in the day to arrange a cease-fire in the southern suburbs to end the shelling. Barrages set off when a Lebanese Army officer was killed by a sniper at midday.

But the Christian Voice of Lebanon radio station said that after dark, fighting spread to the central mountains, which had been relatively peaceful in the last few days. The radio said that Lebanese Army positions in and around the strategic mountain town of Suk al-Gharb had come under attack, and that the army was firing back. (AP, Reuter)

### Labour, Ghali deny report Egypt agreed to IDF strike

Jerusalem Post Staff

Both the Israel Labour Party and a senior Egyptian official have denied a report in Friday's *Jerusalem Post* that Egypt gave tacit approval to a limited Israel Defence Forces strike against the PLO in Southern Lebanon before the operation began in June 1982.

"This is not true," Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali on Friday told the associated Press in Cairo, referring to remarks attributed to him in that day's *Post*.

"I never said anything smacking of tacit approval," Ghali said. He said *The Post* correspondent "distorted my remarks, and I don't know whether this was done in good faith or bad faith."

"What I told the correspondent was that we were very much frustrated by the passive attitude of the (Israeli) Labour Party towards the invasion."

In Tel Aviv yesterday, the Labour Party, denied that either it or a delegation from Egypt's ruling party expressed support for an Israeli military initiative in Lebanon in political talks held between them on the eve of the June 1982 invasion of that country.

The subject was not even raised by either side, said party spokesman Yossi Beilin, in response to the version of the talks attributed to Ghali, who was part of the National Democratic Party delegation to Israel in May-June 1982.

### Planned U.S. sales of Stingers face battle in Congress

By WOLF BLITZER

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The Reagan administration's proposed sales of 1,613 Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to Jordan and another 1,200 to Saudi Arabia are facing tough challenges from powerful pro-Israeli members of Congress.

Most observers here still believe the deals will eventually be approved, but probably only after another prolonged battle between the administration and Congress.

Such a fight, U.S. and Israeli officials agreed, was bound to strain American-Israeli ties.

White House and State Department officials said Jordan's King Hussein, as well as the Saudi Royal family, have come to regard the sales as crucial "test cases" in determining the extent of U.S. support for moderate Arab countries.

In recent days, senior administration officials have sought to ease congressional concerns by insisting that the Jordan sale was part of a new drive to promote ties between Jordan and Israel in an effort to revive peace talks. Both the sale and the proposed creation of a Jordanian strike force to protect the Persian Gulf are seen by U.S. officials as basic to that strategy.

### Imports down 11% since late 1983

Post Economic Reporter

Imports during the first two months of this year were 11 per cent lower than the monthly average in the last quarter of 1983, according to figures released on Friday by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

Goods totalling \$643 million were imported in February, compared to \$602 m. worth of goods imported in February 1983.

Fuel imports dropped by 9 per cent in the first two months of this year, compared to January-February 1983, due to a significant decline in January. Increased fuel

imports in February were instrumental in causing a 7 per cent increase in total merchandise imports over February 1983.

Some 35 per cent fewer durable goods were purchased abroad during the first two months of this year, compared to the same period last year. Private car imports dropped by 57 per cent.

Diamond imports increased by 21 per cent in January-February 1984, compared to the same period last year, totalling \$112m. Imports of other production inputs increased by some 8 per cent.

### Arafat sees Chinese leader in Amman

AMMAN (AP). — Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat met King Hussein yesterday as part of the renewed dialogue between the PLO and the Hashemite kingdom, official sources reported.

Earlier in the day Arafat held talks

on the Middle East and the Palestine issue with Chinese President Li Xianmin, who is on an official visit to Jordan.

Li arrived in the Jordanian capital last Thursday from Pakistan. He held talks on Friday with Hussein and other Jordanian officials.

### Seven killed, 56 badly hurt on roads

Seven persons were killed and 56 were seriously injured in 40 traffic accidents during the past week, a police spokesman announced.

Among those killed were two pedestrians, one of them a child. Among those seriously injured were 38 pedestrians, 14 of them children.

The main causes cited for the accidents were careless pedestrian behaviour, not yielding the right of way and reckless lane-changing.

Yesterday morning near Rehovot two persons were killed and three seriously injured when one car ran out of control, left the road, then came back onto the road and collided head-on with a second car.

One of those killed was Hava Levy, 30, of Bat Yam, who was nine

months pregnant. The name of the other fatality has not been released.

Near Eilat late Thursday night, a speeding van carrying six people overturned on a curve near the port, killing an 18-year-old woman and seriously injuring the five other passengers. (Iim)

BUCKLE UP. — From 4.00 to 7.00 p.m. today, more than 100 volunteers in the main cities will urge drivers to commit themselves to using seatbelts in urban areas throughout 1984. According to the Transport Ministry, the use of seatbelts in urban areas could reduce injuries from traffic accidents by 10 to 20 per cent.



Histadrut Trade Union Department head Israel Kessar (right), Uzi Natanel (centre) and Avi Pelosoff, both of the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations, sign the wage-erosion agreement on Friday. (Israel Sun)

### Patt attends Cairo trade fair, will meet Egyptian ministers

CAIRO (AP). — Israel's Trade Minister Gideon Patt is scheduled to meet here today with

Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali and Economy Minister Mustafa Sa'id on relations between Israel and Egypt. He arrived in Cairo on Friday to attend yesterday's opening of Egypt's 17th annual international trade fair, which boasts an Israeli exhibit for the fourth consecutive year.

Patt was not invited to last year's trade fair, as anti-Israel sentiment in Cairo over Israel's 1982 invasion of Lebanon was still strong. His presence this year appeared to indicate a slight thaw on the Egyptian side, despite its continued refusal to return its ambassador to Israel.

"We think it is significant that a minister has been officially invited to the fair's opening, and I hope this means we can expand trade, which is very limited today," Patt told

reporters at Ben-Gurion Airport before his departure.

The Israeli pavilion features products from 30 companies, including makers of agricultural machinery, electronic equipment, textiles and shoes.

Fair officials said a total of 1,224 foreign and 121 Egyptian firms are represented at the various national pavilions.

The American pavilion, one of the largest, displayed building and construction materials, agricultural and irrigation equipment, electric power machinery and agrobusiness, food-processing and packaging equipment.

The pavilion also included a special exhibit by the U.S. Agency for International Development on aspects of Egyptian-American economic cooperation. Egypt has been receiving \$750 million annually in U.S. economic aid in recent years.

Mayors want action on Black Hebrews

By LIORA MORIEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The Dimona municipal council had a stormy meeting on the Black Hebrews last week and resolved to pressure the government to act to solve the problem of the controversial group. The *Jerusalem Post* has learned. Meanwhile, highly-placed sources in both the Prime Minister's Office and in the Interior Ministry yesterday refused to confirm or deny reports that Yitzhak Shamir is personally involved in the matter of the Black Hebrews of Dimona, Mitzpeh Ramon and Arad.

Some 1,000 Black Hebrews, including the group's leader, Ben-Ami Carter, live in Dimona. They live in a previously abandoned absorption centre on the edge of town.

There are some 150 sect members in Arad, living in "six or seven apartments," according to mayor Avraham Shohat. In Mitzpeh Ramon there are 200, in 18 apartments, according to Mayor Shmuel Cohen.

Because the Dimona community is the largest, the pressure for a solution to the uneasy "status quo" is greatest there.

But all three mayors told *The Post* yesterday that they feel the government must act on the matter and decide one way or the other: either to give the group some permanent status or to give them a settlement of their own. The mayors are aware of the political consequences of mass deportation.

Two Beersheba convicts escape, one recaptured

BEERSHEBA (Iim). — One of the two convicts who escaped from Beersheba Prison late Thursday night was recaptured two kilometres away on Friday afternoon. He was suffering from a broken hand and leg.

The two prisoners, Ibn Taleb Surka, 22, and Abu al-Uba Salim Suleiman, 19, both of Rafiah, were serving a one-month sentence for illegal entry from Egypt. They escaped by working loose the window bars of their detention hut and climbing over the prison wall.

Surka was found hiding in a nest by wadi. He had apparently broken his hand and leg while jumping from the prison wall. Police and Border Police units, assisted by tracking dogs, are searching for Suleiman.

### Court gives Mifal Hapayis distributors a recount

Five chief distributors of the Mifal Hapayis lottery in Tel Aviv have won a temporary injunction from the High Court of Justice, barring the organization from replacing them until it determines the validity of the public tender that picked their successors.

The five petitioners, two of whom have been Mifal Hapayis distributors for over 30 years, charge that a public tender held about two months ago by the organization was "fictitious and sewn up in advance."

They allege that Pays director Gideon Gadot, a member of the Herut Party, picked his political cronies to

replace them when their contracts expire on March 31.

The petitioners also state that the men Gadot picked lack the experience and financial ability to run the distributors. The operations involve hundreds of dealers and require large amounts of money in the form of guarantees, they wrote.

Mifal Hapayis, they note further, is a public body, and as such "is not the private domain of its directors, to do with as they will, without any public scrutiny."

The petition asks the court to set aside the results of the tender and to reappoint them to their jobs as "the best, most experienced" candidates. (Iim)

With great sadness, we mourn the passing of

**ABRAM PERLMUTT**

(London — Tel Aviv)

One of the founders of Poalei Zion, England.

The funeral will take place on Monday, March 12, 1984 at 3.00 p.m. at Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

His daughters and sons-in-law:  
Freda and Leonard Curtis  
Lily and Eli Ared  
Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren  
His brother and sister  
and all the family in Israel, England and USA

We wish to thank all our friends and dear ones for taking part in the funeral, and sharing our grief on the death of our beloved

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## Israeli Arab leaders call for coexistence, dialogue Moderate tone in Land Day plans

By YOEL DAR  
Special to the Jerusalem Post

SHFARAM — Israeli Arabs will mark the eighth anniversary of Land Day on March 30th under the slogan of "Co-existence, fraternity, dialogue between Jews and Arabs, based on granting equal rights to the Arab population."

The words were adopted during a special gathering of the national committee of chairmen of Arab local councils in Shfaram over the weekend. It was the same body which originally called for a general strike of Israeli Arabs on March 30, 1976, to protest against a government plan to expropriate thousands of dunams of land belonging to Arab villagers.

The government sent police and army units into some villages to

break the strike, and in the ensuing clashes, six Arabs were killed, dozens wounded and many arrested.

This year's moderate resolution was aimed at focusing public attention on Israeli Arabs' domestic problems and winning the sympathy of many organizations and parties. The Arab leaders specifically called on Peace Now to take part in three regional rallies which are due to be held on March 30th.

Many Israeli Arab leaders are now convinced that previous years' strikes and demonstrations at which Palestinian flags were sometimes hoisted, leading to clashes with security forces, harmed their cause.

Some participants at yesterday's meeting were also apparently afraid that extreme slogans would increase the danger of confrontation

between their followers and Mena, a Jewish organization which objects to Arabs living in Upper Nazareth. The meeting also condemned Mena's plan to march through Arab Nazareth on Land Day and to burn the Palestinian flag. "Such a move would inevitably lead to violent clashes with Arab residents," it warned.

Officials in the North did not conceal their satisfaction with the decision of the Arab local leaders.

Meanwhile the progressive movement in Nazareth called for changing the character of Land Day. A statement by the movement which broke away from the Communist-dominated Democratic Front two years ago, called for taking advantage of the occasion to strengthen ties between Arab farmers and the land.

## David Levy: IDF will redeploy in Lebanon

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Israel Defence Forces will soon be redeployed in Lebanon to achieve maximum security with minimum presence, Deputy Prime Minister David Levy said on Israel Radio yesterday.

He would not say when the cabinet would make the decision. "The general staff will of course have to advise us on how the redeployment should be done," he said. "And those elements closest to us in Lebanon will need to take on some of what the IDF is now doing, since it is, after all, in their own interests."

Asked why Israel does not enter into talks with Lebanon on security arrangements to replace the agree-

ment Lebanon abrogated, Levy said media reports have been exaggerated and have created a false impression that the Lebanese have made concrete proposals in the spirit of the former agreement.

"If we met with them only to hear officially that the agreement is null and void, we would not only be wasting our time, but we would also be legitimizing their nullification of the agreement," he said.

Asked about possible negotiations with Syria, he said such a question might lead someone to think that Syria wants to negotiate and that Israel either refuses or has set unacceptable conditions. "Syria's radical position is well known. They do not want to negotiate with us."

"Our job is to give our army enough room to maneuver, enough

deterrent power and the element of surprise. Let the Syrians sink deeper and deeper in Lebanon and pay the price," said Levy.

Asked if his criticisms of U.S. policy in Lebanon agree with those of his colleague, Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon, he said everyone has his own style and his own opinion. "If the U.S. complains that we don't coordinate with them, and then does things without coordinating with us, they are hurting their own position first and foremost," Levy said.

He added that the U.S. knows Israel's position on the PLO, on negotiations with Jordan and regarding Judea and Samaria. Between friends the right to disagree is a natural part of the relationship, said Levy.

## I'm a candidate for premier—Sharon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon sees himself as a candidate for the premiership if it falls vacant. In answer to a question on Israel TV on Friday night, Sharon said he felt that he had important contributions to make on many issues.

He complained that the Shamir government is not a continuation of the Begin government when it comes to key issues such as settlement in Judea and Samaria or the fight against terrorism. "It is no coincidence that new settlements are not being built now. You will notice the Americans have stopped talking about wanting us to stop the settlements," Sharon told the TV interviewer.

## Navon to leave for Latin America, U.S.

Jerusalem Post Staff

Former president Yitzhak Navon is to leave today on a one-month visit to Argentina, Uruguay and the U.S.

Navon will visit Argentina as the guest of the local Jewish community on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the founding of its roof organization. In addition to public appearances before various Jewish organizations, Navon will meet with Argentine President Raul Alfonsin and other government officials.

In Uruguay, Navon will appear before Zionist and other Jewish organizations and meet with government leaders.

In the U.S., Navon will appear at meetings and events organized by the United Jewish Appeal, Israel Bonds and educational institutions. He will also lecture at several universities. His U.S. trip will include Miami, Los Angeles, Seattle and New York.

## Haifa fisherman drowns

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — A 65-year-old fisherman drowned yesterday morning when a wave washed him from a pier into the sea off Bat Galim, the police said.

Amos Gueta, a resident of the Bat Galim quarter, drowned while a friend tried unsuccessfully to reach him.

## Stone tablet from Germany to be installed in synagogue

One half of the stone "tablets of the law" which once adorned a German synagogue destroyed by the Nazis has been brought to Israel and will be installed on Wednesday in a Tel Aviv synagogue.

The marble stone, from the synagogue in Leer which was burned down on Kristallnacht in 1938, bears the words "I am," "There shall be," "Thou shalt not make," "Remember," and "Honour," the first words of the first five commandments.

The stone was rediscovered about a year ago, when a German woman told her minister a secret she had heard from her husband on his deathbed. On the night of the synagogue's destruction, he had taken the tablet and placed it in the garden of his house, where it served as a step. The minister went to the woman's home, dug up the stone and took it to his home.

Some time later, a delegation of 60 former Jewish residents of Leer and other northwest German towns was visiting the region, guests of the Society for Cooperation between Christians and Jews. The minister invited one of the guests, Yehiel Hirschberg, who had witnessed the synagogue's burning at age 12, to his home and showed him the tablet.

Wednesday's ceremony will be attended by the Leer minister, the mayors of Leer and Hildesheim, German Ambassador Niels Hansen, Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahav and some 100 Israelis who are former residents of Leer and Emden. (Itim)

## Two Anghelovici suspects claim 'we reburied her'

Jerusalem Post Staff

RISHON LEZION — The two men who last week confessed to having removed the body of Tereza Anghelovici from her grave in this town's Jewish cemetery, did not dump her body in the Ramle Moslem cemetery where it was found, according to an appeal against their 15-day detention order filed on Friday.

Rather, they buried the body with due respect, but it was exhumed by the cemetery's caretakers and dumped on the side, ultra-Orthodox leaders close to the suspects alleged.

The appeal, to be heard tomorrow in Tel Aviv District Court, notes that the two men admit to having carried out the deed, but did so in accordance with their religious conscience and in the wake of rabbinical ruling that the body of a non-Jew should be removed from a Jewish cemetery.

The two suspects, David Ehrenfeld and Meir Agassi, say they removed the remains of Tereza Anghelovici and reburied them in an honourable way. They even put a marker with her name on top of the grave.

The appeal notes that the 15-day

remand was granted to enable further investigation, but quoted a detective working on the case as having said on Thursday that the inquiry was complete. This, and their confession, make further detention unnecessary, the appeal says.

Michal Yudelman adds: At the Rishon Lezion cemetery where Anghelovici was reburied by the authorities last Tuesday, a new tombstone was placed at her grave on Friday by members of Mapam Youth.

It was the third marker to be placed at the site since the women's original burial there. The first, by the family, and the second, also by Mapam Youth, were removed by the Jewish burial society responsible for the cemetery after it found out that Anghelovici had not been converted to Judaism according to Orthodox practice.

Earlier on Friday, Anghelovici's daughter Adina Harpaz placed a small plaque with her mother's name on the grave. She refrained from replacing the tombstone because of a 10-month-old High Court of Justice injunction forbidding any tampering with or changing the gravesite until a final ruling in the matter.

DOLLS — Jerusalem artist Noemi Sarel will hold a special exhibit of her work, including a group of oriental dolls, at the Henny Handler Gallery in St. John's Wood, London, March 18 through March 28.



Rami Keich, a paraplegic wounded in the Lebanon war, greets his mare Heather on her arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport on Thursday night. The specially trained mare, purchased with funds from British donors, will enable Keich to continue riding. Heather was flown free of charge by El Al. (Katz)

## Porat's exit 'harms Tehiya's secular-religious format'

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hanan Porat's decision to leave Tehiya and to return to the National Religious Party is a blow to the movement's efforts to bring religious and secular groups together on the basis of a shared ideology, Tehiya MK Gula Cohen said on a Kol Yisrael radio interview Friday evening.

"Hanan is behind us: when you get hit, the thing to do is pick yourself up and keep going," said Cohen. "The religious parties close all the windows and doors to anyone who is not religious, unless they decide to have a token non-religious person, the way Ashkenazi parties have a token Sephardi, and vice versa."

"Then, when religious zealots do things the secular community cannot accept, the secular parties pull out all the stops. What made us different was that we brought religious and secular elements together."

Cohen said Porat is too naive for what awaits him in the cruel

political world. "The religious parties act as if they have a blank cheque signed by God: the secular parties also have a blank cheque, only theirs is signed by a human being... Maybe the unity of the religious party will be bolstered by what Porat did, but the unity of the Jewish people will not."

Asked if she thinks Science Minister and Tehiya MK Yuval Ne'eman should resign from the Knesset and give his seat to one of the religious Tehiya members who has remained loyal to the party, she said there are dangers in such a step. Both Ne'eman himself and the party would have to consider its carefully, Cohen said.

She herself could not resign even if she wanted to do so, she said, because she represents the nationalist movement (ex-Herut members). Ne'eman represents ex-Labour Party members concerned about Eretz Yisrael Hashlema (the integral Land of Israel) and Porat had represented the religious element, said Cohen.

## Unknown attackers fire again at Arab village

NAZARETH — Police are searching for the unknown attackers who fired three times in the past four weeks at houses in the Arab village of Umm al-Fahm in the Little Triangle, a police spokesman said on Friday.

The latest incident reportedly

took place before dawn on Friday, when several volleys from light weapons were fired. As in the two previous incidents, only slight property damage was reported. So far neither the identity of the perpetrators nor their motives are known.

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US government," he says. "Not only is this not authorized by the UN Charter, it very likely violates U.S. law — since one-quarter of DPI's budget is provided by U.S. taxpayers, (and) federal funds cannot be used to lobby."

Brooks notes that NGOs have been urged to lobby Congress on such issues as the Law of the Sea Treaty, and on other UN-sponsored wealth-transfer schemes.

With a budget of more than \$64 million during 1982-83, Brooks says, the DPI puts out a steady stream of publications, films, and other materials in support of groups like the South West African People's Organization and the PLO, both of which are supported by the Soviets. While focusing heavily on the evils of western nations and Israel, Brooks says, DPI publications never mention Soviet aggression, and have never commented on the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

Nothing characterizes DPI's Middle East coverage so much as its campaign against Israel.

The October, 1982 issue of *UN Chronicle*, an official DPI publication, for example, reported on Israel's operation in Lebanon. The Israeli forces are depicted in shrill pejorative terms, whereas action by the PLO was reported in studiously neutral terms.

In covering the UN debate on the Israeli operation, the *UN Chronicle* stated:

"A number of speakers compared

Israeli actions in Lebanon — where it was accused of carrying out a 'genocide' of Palestinian and Lebanese people — with the crimes of Nazi Germany." A picture of Damour, Lebanon, is captioned: "The town had 16,000 people in early June. A month later only 10 people remained in its ruins."

The town actually had been destroyed in 1976, when the PLO killed hundreds of its Christian inhabitants. This "error," which was never corrected, was distributed worldwide in the official DPI publication.

DPI has prepared or displayed anti-Israel poster and photographic exhibitions. One 1983 exhibit, shown at the UN in New York, was so starkly biased that the Secretariat agreed to remove it within hours of its installation at the request of Israeli Ambassador Yehuda Blum. Yet this and other exhibits continue to be distributed to UN Information Centres around the world.

Brooks says Congress should "demand that the UN cease all promotion and lobbying activities before Congress, and... stop all U.S. funding of DPI activities that promote the interests of the PLO and other terrorist groups."

If the DPI is unwilling to end these activities, and to offer a more balanced interpretation of world events, Brooks says, Congress should vote to withhold a portion of its annual contribution to the UN Secretariat in an amount equal to the U.S. share of the DPI budget.

## Idled shipyards plan to cut employees and working hours

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The board of the government-owned Israel Shipyards has decided to dismiss 180 of its 850 workers and reduce working hours to 40 a week because of a lack of shipbuilding orders.

But the Haifa Labour Council has already rejected the cutbacks and insists that it will agree to discuss dismissals only after the management comes up with a "credible" plan to cure the yard's ills and revive it. "The council will not agree to have the burden placed only on the workers," spokesman Moshe Gutter said last night.

The board under its new chairman, former Navy OC Shlomo Erel, met on Thursday to discuss the situation, following months of idleness for many of the 850 workers. The slack is said to be

costing the government \$3 million a year.

In view of the lack of orders for merchant ships and the Israel Navy's completion of acquisition plans, the board saw no prospects for any substantial shipbuilding activities in the foreseeable future.

Negotiations with the Zim and Agrexco companies for the construction of two refrigerator ships for farm exports, which would cost \$50m. and keep the yard busy for two years, are bogged down, as the Treasury appears chary of coming up with the estimated \$10m. subsidy necessary to make the job competitive.

The board instructed the management to arrange for early retirement of about one-third of the men to be dismissed, but the labour council rejected any dismissals pending a revival programme.

## Top-level Greek group to arrive today

A high-level delegation of public and political figures from Greece is due to arrive today to take part in the dedication of Hellenic House at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Among the some 100-member delegation will be the former president of Greece, Prof. Constantine Tsatsos and the secretary-general of the Greek Ministry of Culture and Science, Constantine Alvanos.

Hellenic House, which will be

dedicated on Wednesday, is the home of the Classics Department in the faculty of humanities on the university's Mount Scopus campus. The building is a gift of the Jewish community of Thessaloniki, with the agreement of the government of Greece, and is built in memory of the 65,000 Greek Jewish students slain by the Nazis in World War II.

Officials in Jerusalem see the visit as a sign of improving relations between the two countries.

## Officials in North demand hospital funds

By DAVID RUDGE  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The heads of 10 local authorities, including Haifa, held an emergency meeting at the City Hall here Friday to protest against the Health Ministry's decision to stop funding the construction of Rothschild Hospital's west wing.

They cabled Health Minister Eliezer Shostak and demanded he intervene to rescind his ministry's decision. The telegram said the move would cause suffering for a large number of people in the North who use the hospital's services. They demanded that the ministry

reconsider its budget proposals to find a way of including the \$1.5 million it was expected to allocate for the project.

Meanwhile, the president of the American Society of the Friends of the Rothschild Hospital, Leon Angel, has flown in for an emergency meeting on the serious situation resulting from the ministry decision, including the staff's closure of the emergency ward. The society has already donated nearly \$2m. of the \$23m. dollars invested in the west wing, project since the work began 11 years ago. It had pledged to give a further \$1m. next year.

## Eight remanded in Ashdod bus bombing

ASHDOD (Itim) — Eight Arab men arrested on suspicion of involvement in last Wednesday's bus bombing here were remanded on Friday for eight days by the local magistrates court. Three persons were killed in the explosion and nine wounded.

A police investigator told Judge Avraham Sasson that the eight are suspected of planting the booby-

trapped grenade in the bus. The eight men are also suspected of belonging both to a terrorist organization and a criminal gang, the investigator said.

Two other suspects are minors, whose remand was extended for seven days last Thursday. The names of all the suspects have been banned from publication.

## Man indicted for trying to murder his sister

TEL AVIV (Itim) — A Taiba man on Friday was indicted in the district court for the attempted murder of his sister, apparently in an attempt to "protect the honour of the family name."

The charge sheet states that on February 7, Zaharan Sultan, 29, dragged his 17-year-old sister into a shed in the yard of the family's house, where he grabbed her by the neck and forced her to drink a solution of hydrochloric acid and pesticide, which he had prepared for that purpose.

Sultan allegedly kept her in the

shed and refused to allow family members to summon help. However, the family doctor arrived by coincidence to treat the siblings' mother, and he managed to save the sister. She was hospitalized in critical condition and sustained permanent injury to her throat and lungs.

The prosecutor asked the judge to order Sultan held until the end of his trial, out of concern he might again try to harm his sister. In answer to a motion by the defence, the judge agreed to decide on the matter next week.

## Sign removals miff Jerusalem merchants

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem municipality is cracking down on violators of the shop signs bylaw, and shopkeepers are up in arms.

According to Avraham Birnbaum, secretary of the Jerusalem Merchants Association, municipal inspectors are removing illegal — those without valid permits — signs in the middle of the night. The permits are granted at the discretion of a city inspector, who is empowered to withhold them if he deems a sign unattractive or obtrusive.

Although shopkeepers had been granted permits for their signs in recent years, the municipality is now

refusing to renew them, the merchants association charges.

Birnbaum contended that the municipality's sign crackdown is discriminatory since inspectors, he alleged, ignore the hundreds of unlicensed signs above retail shops in predominantly Arab East Jerusalem.

"Kollek says the purpose of removing commercial signs is to expose the beautiful and ornate arches of Jerusalem's old buildings," Birnbaum said. "Well, there are more beautiful arches on the Arab buildings along Salah e-Din and a-Zahara Streets in East Jerusalem than anywhere else in the city."

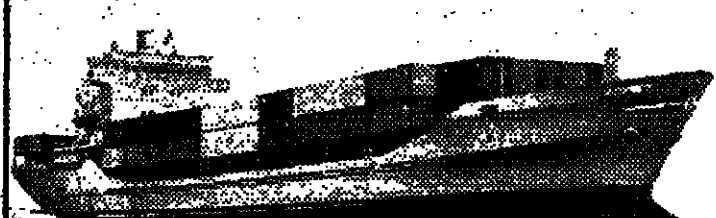
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## Doctor backs Iran's poison charge

VIENNA (AP). — Laboratory tests reveal "with certain proof" that Iranian soldiers fighting in the Gulf War have been attacked by chemical and biological weapons, a doctor treating Iranian soldiers said yesterday.

Dr. Herbert Mandl said in a radio interview that tests conducted by the Toxicological Institute in Ghent, Belgium, revealed that Iranian soldiers were exposed to mycotoxin, or "yellow rain," and mustard gas.

Iran, charging that Iraq was using chemical weapons in the 43-month-old Gulf War, sent 15 of its soldiers abroad last week for treatment of what it said were chemical burns.

Ten of the Iranian soldiers were sent to Vienna, where one died Tuesday and four are listed in critical condition. The remaining five were sent to Sweden where three of them have died, the last death coming early yesterday.

In Uppsala, Sweden, the most seriously wounded Iranian soldier being treated at the Akademiska University clinic for burns has died, the clinic said on Friday.

Attending physicians had suspected that acid burns of the skin and damage to the internal organs of the soldiers were due to exposure to poison gas, but did not want to commit themselves without scientific evidence.

Mandl said the laboratory tests confirm the suspicions. He said the toxins were identified by the institute in specimens of urine, feces, and blood taken from two wounded soldiers under treatment at Vienna's Second University Clinic.

He said in the radio interview that "no specific antidote is known" against these substances. "We have treated so far according to the symptoms and have to continue to do so," he said.

Mustard gas, which was used in World War I but has been banned since under the Geneva Protocols of 1925, causes "chemical burns" to the skin and damage to the internal organs, and blood, Mandl said. He said from experience gained in World War I "it is known that (mustard gas) poisonings of lesser extent, that is if the afflicted person came into contact with smaller quantities, can be survived."

But Mandl, who is not a toxicologist, said little is known about mycotoxins, which he described as "metabolic products of fungi." Mycotoxins, he said, "also cause damage to the human body, the difference from mustard gas being that they have a much more protracted effect."

Before the test results were known here, a spokesman for the

U.S. State Department said that according to available evidence Iraq had used chemical weapons against Iranian troops, a statement that appeared to have been supported by the International Committee of the Red Cross.

In Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, the foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) went into secret deliberations yesterday in a bid to muster collective mediation efforts for peace between Iraq and Iran.

In a brief inaugural session at the outset, the chairman, Qatar's minister of state for foreign affairs, praised Iraq for "responding favourably" to peace overtures and appealed to Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini to do the same.

The GCC groups Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Oman in an economic integration and combined defence pact.

With their eyes on Tuesday's emergency Arab League foreign ministers conference in Baghdad to which they have all said they would go, the GCC ministers said they were determined to accelerate their mediation bids. Iraq said the Baghdad conference was necessary because the "Iranian aggression had become a threat to the entire Arab world."

Iran made fresh allegations on Friday that Iraq was using chemical weapons.

A military communiqué broadcast by Tehran radio said Iraq "had again used chemical bombs" at several places in the Majnoon islands "in the wake of the severe defeat" of Iraqi forces trying to retake the islands captured by Iran two weeks ago.

## Sikhs fortify holy shrine, reports say

NEW DELHI (AP). — Sikh extremists have fortified a holy shrine in violence-torn Punjab state to meet an anticipated raid by police, news reports from the area said yesterday.

The protection measure was for the Golden Temple, the holiest Sikh shrine in Amritsar, seat of the Sikh religion 400 kilometres north of New Delhi.

Reports said sandbags and observation posts were put atop the 17th-century temple and the buildings in its compound. The shutters at one gate have been replaced with steel.

In addition, the reports added, powerful searchlights have been installed in the temple complex and Sikh militants residing in the shrine have posted round-the-clock patrols.

The government of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has accused Sikh militants, led by Jarnail Singh Bhindranale, of harbouring criminals and stockpiling weapons in the sacred shrine for their violent campaign for greater political and religious freedom.

Bhindranale, 37, and other Sikh leaders do not leave the temple grounds for fear of being arrested. While police generally do not enter places of worship in India, the government is widely believed to be considering a raid on the Golden Temple to rid it of criminals and arsenals.

At least 83 people have been killed since mid-February in escalating Sikh terrorism in Punjab, a northern state where the majority of India's 13 million Sikhs live.

## Hart leads Reagan in Gallup poll

WASHINGTON. — Democratic Senator Gary Hart would beat President Ronald Reagan if the U.S. election were held now, according to a Gallup poll released on Friday.

It said the Colorado senator would beat Reagan 52 to 43 per cent.

Reagan would beat two other Democratic presidential contenders, former vice-president Walter Mondale 50-45 per cent and former astronaut John Glenn 52-41, Gallup said.

Another poll, by the USA Today newspaper, showed that Hart held a narrow 34-32 lead over Mondale among Democrats. A similar poll in February gave Mondale a commanding 47 per cent, to Hart's 2 per cent.

On Friday, Hart picked up the endorsement of former candidate Ernest Hollings as the contestants for the Democratic nomination headed toward this week's crucial

primary elections. Attention shifted temporarily to lightly populated Wyoming where Hart was favoured to once again defeat Mondale in yesterday's polling in that state's 23 county caucuses, or meetings.

Both hoped to use their first test in the West to build momentum for the upcoming round of primaries and caucuses on "Super Tuesday."

The only other candidate with organized support in Wyoming was Ohio Senator John Glenn.

Voting in the Wyoming caucuses will help determine 12 of the state's 15 delegates to the national convention next July. More importantly, it was expected to help show the relative strength of the candidates in the West, a region that heavily favoured the Republican

Reagan four years ago. Hart said he was "pleased" by the Hollings endorsement. The South Carolina senator said at a news conference on Friday that Hart has

"not only the ability to win, but the capacity to govern."

Mondale now calls himself the underdog in "a fight for the soul of the Democratic Party."

Hart's popularity has shown a startling rise in the four biggest states voting on Tuesday although he had been virtually ignored until the past week.

Opinion polls, a measure of shifting sentiments, now have him leading Mondale in Massachusetts, gaining fast in Florida and Alabama, and even stirring excitement in Georgia, home of Mondale's ally and former boss, ex-president Jimmy Carter.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes declined to comment on the latest polls, but other Reagan aides argue Hart is profiting from an explosion of "new face" publicity that will cool once people begin looking closely at him and his liberal voting record. (Reuter, AP)

## Rights groups report deaths of 15 Polish dissidents

NEW YORK (AP). — Two human rights groups said Friday that 15 anti-government activists died under mysterious circumstances in Poland between January, 1983 and February, 1984.

The deaths and "other methods of repression" were documented in a nine-page report on alleged human rights abuses in Poland compiled by the Helsinki Watch Committee and the Committee in Support of Solidarity.

The groups, made up of Poles living in the U.S. and private American citizens like former presidential adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski, asserted that many of the deaths followed "a period in which the individuals had been arrested, followed or detained by police. The list also includes several apparent suicides that similarly followed police harassment or harassment by unknown perpetrators."

The alleged abuses were documented in Poland by sources that "are generally very reliable... If they have two figures, they take the lower figure," said Kathy Fitzpatrick, a staff director for Helsinki Watch.

"One of the most disturbing things is that people simply disappear or are killed by what the official press calls unknown perpetrators," said Eric Chenoweth, executive director of the Committee in Support of Solidarity.

In Warsaw yesterday, a Roman Catholic bishop told thousands of teen-age pilgrims in the shrine city of Czestochowa that the church is "disturbed" because Communist authorities have declared a "war against the cross."

Bishop Franciszek Musiel of Czestochowa, was addressing the young people at a mass in the Black Madonna chapel of the Jasna Gora Monastery, a spokesman at the hill-top monastery said.

Teen-agers from all over Poland converged overnight at the monastery to express solidarity with high school students from the farmlands south of Warsaw who staged protests last week against the removal of crosses from their schools. Removal of crucifixes from schools, hospitals and factories was justified officially on grounds that the buildings are owned by the government, which is led by the atheist Communist Party, a spokesman at the monastery said.

ATHENS (Reuter). — Tension between Nato members Greece and Turkey subsided yesterday as suddenly as it had flared up after Greece said it was satisfied by Turkish explanations of a naval incident in the Aegean on Thursday.

Turkey welcomed the Greek statement.

On Friday night, Greece reversed its decision of the previous day to recall its Ankara ambassador, after saying it accepted Turkey did not intend to provoke a dangerous incident.

Greece says one of its destroyers came under shell fire from Turkish ships taking part in maneuvers in the north-east Aegean near the Greek island of Samothraki on Thursday.

Foreign Under-Secretary Yannis Kapsis said on Friday that Turkey had told Greece that the shells involved were fired in the air by anti-aircraft guns and that only fragments fell into the sea.

Kapsis, while saying Greece stood by its account of the events, told newsmen that the government judged Turkey had no intention of provoking a dangerous incident.

Earlier, Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu had described the incident as the most serious since Turkey invaded Cyprus in 1974. The two neighbouring countries have long been in dispute over Cyprus, territorial rights in the Aegean and other issues.

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## 25 injured as bomb wrecks parked airliner in Chad

PARIS (AP). — An explosion ripped through the luggage compartment of a DC-8 passenger jet parked at the N'djamena, Chad, airport yesterday, injuring 25 people and triggering a fire that destroyed the aircraft, airline officials in Paris said.

The exact cause of the blast was not immediately known, but a French Foreign Ministry spokesman in Paris described it as a terrorist attack.

None of the injured was considered in serious condition. They included 12 passengers and 13 members of the flight and ground

crews. Officials of the private French UTA airline company said here the flight, with about 100 passengers aboard, was preparing to take off to continue its regular Brazzaville-Bangui-N'djamena-Paris route when the explosion occurred at 1 p.m.

The officials said the plane had been scheduled for takeoff at that time but had experienced a brief delay. They said it was possible that the explosion had been meant to occur as the plane was airborne.

The injured included Europeans and Africans.

## Salvador guerrillas force message over air waves

SAN SALVADOR (AP). — Leftist rebels took over three radio stations in the capital on Friday and forced them to play recorded messages condemning U.S.-backed presidential elections scheduled for March 25, spokesmen for the Salvadoran radio stations said.

The rebels seized Radio El Mundo and Radio Clasica, located on the outskirts of San Salvador, and Radio Centroamericana, northwest of the capital.

The radio station spokesmen said the rebels, armed with pistols, entered the sound booths and forced the disc jockeys to put on tapes condemning upcoming elections as a "farce." The tapes said

the government "should accept a guerrilla plan calling for the establishment of a provisional government that would hold elections later. The gunmen then escaped."

Rebels and their leftist supporters say they will not participate in the elections because their candidates would be easy targets for right-wing death squads, which have been linked to government security forces.

On the battle front, army units fought for 12 hours with left-wing guerrillas in an abandoned sugar cane plantation east of San Salvador. Officers said Friday that two soldiers were killed and at least 16 wounded.

## UK cruise missiles in midnight exercise

GREENHAM COMMON, England (AP). — The British Defence Ministry said a convoy of cruise missile vehicles that left the U.S. Air Force base here at midnight Friday returned 3½ hours later, after completing the first deployment exercise held outside the perimeter fence since the missiles began arriving here last November.

"The convoy was not carrying live missiles and as we have said on previous occasions it is not the intention to carry live missiles on any training exercise away from the base," a ministry spokesman said.

The British domestic news

agency, Press Association, reported that it received a telephone call from a person claiming to be a member of Britain's Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CMD) saying their members were "kept at bay" by police as three large trucks left the installation. Women anti-nuclear campaigners have maintained a peace camp outside the base since September 1981.

Defence officials have said that in time of international tension, the cruise launchers and associated vehicles would leave the base for secret hiding places to avoid the risk of the missiles being destroyed in their bunkers by an enemy strike on the base.

## Argentine ex-junta men in custody

BUENOS AIRES (Reuter). — Argentina's highest military court on Thursday placed the former commander of the country's navy and of the air force in "rigorous preventive custody," confirming that both face serious charges over the 1982 Falklands conflict with Britain, military sources said.

The supreme council of the armed forces had earlier applied the same measure to former president

Leopoldo Galtieri, who led the military junta which ordered Argentina's ill-fated invasion of the Falkland Islands beginning on April 2, 1982.

Then navy commander Jorge Anaya and air force chief Basilio Lami Dozo belonged to the junta. All three former junta members were placed under arrest by the supreme council more than two weeks ago.

## USSR to supply India with sophisticated arms

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — The Soviet Union has agreed to supply India with a wide range of new and sophisticated weapons under agreements reached during a visit to India by Soviet Defence Minister Dmitry Ustinov, official sources said on Friday.

The supplies are likely to include new Soviet fighter aircraft for the Indian Air Force, tanks and missiles for the army, and electronic surveillance systems and submarines for the navy.

Moscow will supply "advanced technology aircraft" fitted with electronic counter-measure systems, the sources said. They gave no further details, but informed sources said the planes are likely to be the latest MiG-29s.

The two sides also discussed a comprehensive air defence system "in the light of current and future security perceptions," the sources said.

In parliament, the government said Moscow will start delivering Ilushin-76 military transport aircraft this year.

The sources said the Soviet Union will fit destroyers and frigates being built by the Indian Navy with the latest sensing systems to increase their surveillance, detection and sight capabilities.

The two sides will also develop electronic capabilities "to contain the developing threats in the Indian Ocean area." Informed sources said Moscow might also supply New Delhi with new submarines.

Ustinov, who left for home yesterday, met Prime Minister Indira Gandhi for a second time on Friday. He also had talks with defence Minister Ramaswami Venkataraman and called on President Zail Singh and External Affairs Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao.

N. Korean leader dies  
TOKYO (Reuter). — North Korean Vice-President Kim Il died Friday at age 74 after a long illness, the North Korean Central News Agency said yesterday. The agency, monitored in Tokyo, said a state funeral committee would be led by President Kim Il-Sung.

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## 96-year-old gets six months in jail

NEW YORK (AP). — A man who says he is 96 and has a criminal record dating back to 1929 has been sentenced to six months in jail for trying to swindle at least seven women.

"We have reason to believe he is the oldest prisoner ever in our system," city correction department spokesman Ed Hershey said.

James Barnes received a sentence on Wednesday of six months in jail and five years' probation. Probation officials were unable to verify Barnes' claim that he was born in Chicago in 1887, but found records showing he has been arrested at least 34 times, the first in New York in 1929 for burglary.

Barnes was arrested last July after police said he accosted at least seven women and offered them a chance to get rich. He flashed a wad of money — actually cut paper with fake currency on top — and offered to split it with them. But first he asked for a deposit to prove their sincerity.

Five of the women gave him a total of \$8,000.

## Two Armenians jailed for killing Turk envoy

BELGRADE (AP). — The district court of Belgrade on Friday sentenced two Armenian nationalists to 20 years in jail for assassinating the Turkish ambassador to Yugoslavia last year.

The court found Kagoution Krikor Levonian, 23, and Raffi Alexander Elbakian, 21, guilty of "gunning down" Turkey's Ambassador Galip Bilhar exactly a year ago Friday in downtown Belgrade. The pair, who hold Lebanese passports, were also convicted of murdering a Yugoslav student who tried to stop them when they fled the scene.

After serving the sentence, the two Armenians will be expelled from Yugoslavia, the court ruled.

## Aussie prospector strikes it rich

PERTH (Reuter). — A prospector probing a hard cap of rock dismissed as worthless has found one of the most significant gold deposits in Western Australia for about 50 years, assessors said yesterday.

Bill Powell, 44, uncovered the gold-bearing seam near the abandoned McPherson's Reward mine near Coolgardie, 570 kilometres northeast of Perth.

In processing, some of the ore yielded nearly 28 grams of gold for each ton extracted.

## \$16.5m. donated for Africa drought aid

GENEVA (AP). — The League of Red Cross and Red Crescent societies said Friday that \$16.5 million has been donated in response to an appeal for aid for drought victims in nine African countries.

Spokesman Antony Cornow said the league had appealed last November for \$8.2m. and since then had increased the appeal to \$22.5m.

The aid is for 850,000 people in Zambia, Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Mauritania, Swaziland, Senegal, Sao Tome, Mozambique, and Chad, he said.

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## Family of women

Gloria Lev-Ari traces seven generations of the distaff side of her family.



### A peek into the family album

Starting far left of page, Dobrish Malka Halpern (1811-1903) and her daughter Fruma Halpern; center of page, above, Gloria Lev-Ari (1932—) and below, her daughters, 27-year-old Cindy and 24-year-old Bonnie Itzler; and in photo directly above, Yenta Golda Mednitsky (1852-1917) sitting second row left, with her daughter, Sara Esther Goldstein (1869-1945) who is sitting second row right, and her granddaughter, Miriam Menkis (1889—), standing far right.

As a child, I often longed to be afflicted with some minor ailment which was severe enough to force me to stay in bed, but mild enough to allow me to enjoy myself there.

Beyond the attention and pampering I received under such circumstances, there was a greater attraction involved — that of what my brothers and I called "picture time" — which was, for some strange reason, an activity confined to times of illness.

On these occasions, my mother or grandmother would haul down from the uppermost reaches of the closet, the family treasure: a large batch of old, sepia-colored photographs comprising mostly posed group and individual portraits of our Russian-Polish ancestors.

At a tender age, I would stare at the women in the pictures and identify with them, but I had no way of truly appreciating how special the photos were until I was older. Then I learned that I am a 17th-generation descendant of the great Gaon of Prague, Yonatan Aebischutz, and that I had grown up looking at pictures of generations of women who were also his descendants. I eventually, after an intensive search, and with the aid of far-flung members of my family, I have come up with the photographs and stories of all seven generations of the distaff side of my family, going back to the great-great-great-grandmother of my daughters.

I have found that if there are any common threads even through the lives of these women, they include the inclination to be independent in both thoughts and conduct, an ability to adapt to changing life-styles, a talent used but mainly disregarded, and — most of all — a love of life.

**DOBRISH MALKA HALPERN** (mother of Fruma Halpern). Her great-great-granddaughter, Miriam Menkis, remembers visiting her in a distant shtetl. Dobrish Malka, born in Russia in 1811, was proud of hav-

ing been the 12th generation of descendants of the Gaon of Prague, Jehonatan Aebischutz, a figure revered to this day as a great writer and philosopher. His teachings may have played a major role in the more liberal manner in which the succeeding generations of women of his family were raised.

Contrary to the trend of those times, Dobrish Malka was taught to read and write Yiddish and Russian and to pray in Hebrew. Subsequent generations spoke of her wit, her talent for weaving and her beautiful handwriting. She reared 13 children of her own and at least one great-grandson. Miriam recalls: "She was a warm and intelligent woman and not at all shrivelled and unattractive as she appears in the photograph." She died in 1903 at the age of 92.

**FRUMA HALPERN** (daughter of Dobrish Malka and mother of Yenta Golda Mednitsky) was one of three daughters in a family of 13 children. Given more love and attention than was commonly shown to girls, she nevertheless remained shy and self-effacing. Fruma had a lovely, though untrained, voice, singing at family gatherings, weddings and joyous holidays. Having been widowed at an early age and remarried to her father's cousin (from a shtetl hundreds of miles from her own), little is known of her later life. It is known that she had nine children. A photograph of her with her mother on a rare trip north is all the more precious as it is the only memento left of both of them.

**YENTA GOLDA MEDNITSKY** (daughter of Fruma Halpern and mother of Sarah Esther Goldstein) was born in 1852. She married in her early teens, then the prevailing custom. A match was made for her with Binyamin Lazer Mednitsky, a young man from her mother's

hometown. They rented a large plot of land and established a cheese farm. Yenta Golda was an authoritative figure, running her household with a firm hand. Of the eight children she bore, four daughters and one son survived.

Yenta Golda happily assumed the care of their 60 cows and the estate prospered until World War I. She was wont to fast every Monday and Thursday, in addition to the religious fasting days. Like her mother and grandmother, she was taught Yiddish and Russian and picked up enough arithmetic to enable her to keep the books of the estate. An aspect of her character which was atypical was her superstitious nature, believing as she did, for example, that salt in the pocket of a child would ward off the evil eye. Yenta Golda died at 75 in 1917, heartbroken at having lost the farm and the land she loved in the wake of the war.

**SARAH ESTHER GOLDSTEIN** (daughter of Yenta Golda Mednitsky and mother of Miriam Menkis) was born on the 1st of Adar in 1869, the eldest of five children of the well-to-do Mednitsky family, whose estate was then called Ostroveh. (The land did not belong to them, as Jews were barred by law from owning land.) Sarah Esther had a limited education, but one that surpassed the accepted norm for small-town Jewish girls in the 1870s.

She was an attractive, spunky lass, whose great pleasure was to "go to town," which she did once a week whenever the horse-and-buggy came by. Her husband, Haim Ber Goldstein, was chosen for her by her parents. She was fortunate to have married an intelligent, educated and talented young man, whom she grew to love, but who died when she was only 32, leaving her with their children:

Miriam, 12, Israel 10 and Leah six. (In 1920, the two younger children immigrated to Palestine and were among the founders of the moshav Kfar Yehoshua in Emek Yizre'el. Miriam remained with her mother, not wanting to leave her alone, though she too longed to settle in Eretz Yisrael.)

Sarah Esther's interpretation of the essence of Judaism manifested itself in love of all mankind. As a young woman, she would often fill her pockets with sugar cubes and visit the local non-Jewish peasant women, handing out the sweets to the wide-eyed children. She was sent for by her daughter and son-in-law, who were living in Brooklyn, and lived with the family for the rest of her life. As her granddaughter, I have warm and vivid recollections of her from my childhood. My grandma would flourish wherever she might be, because of her noble character and friendly personality. She was loved and admired by all, for she not only loved everyone, she displayed her feelings to people, whether poor or rich, young or old, black or white. She had enough reserves within her to feel love even for selfish individuals. I wish I had inherited that truly wonderful trait. I named my child after my adored grandmother, Cindy Ellen being an anglicization of Sarah Esther, who died at 75 in 1945.

**MIRIAM MENKIS** (daughter of Sarah Esther Goldstein and mother of Gloria Lev-Ari) lives in Jerusalem, having joined her daughter and two granddaughters when they immigrated to Israel in 1970, fulfilling her dream of living in Israel, albeit quite late in life, as she was then 80 years old. Born on the same estate as her mother before her, she was reared in comfort and had the good fortune to study with her brother, who was taught by a live-in tutor. They learned Hebrew,

Bible, history, literature, and other subjects. Years later, Miriam often sang and danced at family weddings. Her father, who had taught himself to play the violin, gave his daughter singing lessons and showed her how to embroider and sew, a gift she put to good use all her life. Miriam immigrated to America to marry Benjamin Menkis, a childhood friend, and bore two sons and a daughter. Imbibed with Zionism from her earliest days, she was devoted to this cause and closely followed events in Palestine and then Israel through newspaper reports and frequent correspondence with her sister and brother. Though having lived "the easy life" until her marriage, she had a sufficiently strong character to adapt to the deprivation and sacrifice of the depression years, which struck her family along with millions of others. *Sava Miriam* — as she is affectionately called by the staff and residents of the parents' home where she resides — is introverted, gentle, soft-spoken and modest to a fault — qualities for which she has always been respected. As her daughter, I feel that I have yet to meet a person as undemanding and uncompromising as my mother. Perhaps because she was married late in life and had almost given up hope of having her own children, she would occasionally say, "My children are my jewels."

During the past year, her memory has begun to fade. Nevertheless she recalled several additional facts to help round out the details of this series of mini-biographies.

Now for myself: **GLORIA LEV-ARI** (daughter of Miriam Menkis and mother of Cindy and Bonnie Itzler), born and educated in Brooklyn, N.Y., the moving force in the decision to make aliyah with my mother and two daughters in 1970. I

am the product of a multi-ideological background: Zionist mother, socialist father, orthodox grandmother. My first love was drama and I appeared in several off-Broadway productions. After having dabbled in painting, I studied public relations, then worked for a firm which had as a client the Weizmann Institute of Science. My husband, Leonard Itzler, died of a heart attack while in his prime in 1967. I chose the name Lev-Ari (lion-heart) in his memory (his original name was Arie Leib). My absorption into Israeli society was surprisingly easy for a woman with two young girls. My first job in Israel was English secretary to the President of the Technion, Alexander Goldberg. I now live in Jerusalem and work at the Centre for the History of Science at the Jewish National and University Library. I have recently discovered that my philosophy in life bears a striking similarity to that of Rabbi Nachman of Bratslav.

For many years virtually all my energy and effort have been committed to facing the challenge and confronting the obstacles and difficulties of life. I serve on the Executive Council of the Soroptimists, an international women's organization dedicated to securing human rights for all people, advancing the status of women and contributing to international understanding and universal friendship.

**CINDY ITZLER** (daughter of Gloria Lev-Ari). Combining versatility, talent and good looks, Cindy Itzler is Production Manager for Kastel Films programme, "Hello, Jerusalem!", seen weekly on U.S. cable television.

Born in Brooklyn, Cindy studied at the American International School in Kfar Shmaryahu, served in the tank corps, and then earned a degree in Occupational Therapy. Preferring a career in television, she

went back to school, studying at the Theatre Arts Department of Tel Aviv University, supporting herself by working as a researcher for "Teleprom," singing in bistros in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, working as assistant to the director of the First International Festival of Jewish Theatre, and then for a brief spell at Educational Television. Cindy is a vegetarian with a bent for natural food. She jogs, cycles, is an aficionado of films and the theatre, is concerned about national politics, and loves to travel both in and out of Israel whenever she can. As a child, she wrote poetry and showed a flair for painting, some examples of which are hung in her mother's home.

**BONNIE ITZLER** (daughter of Gloria Lev-Ari) was also born in Brooklyn, but received most of her education in Israel. She got a first degree in biology from the Hebrew University in July. She will begin studying for a master's degree in neuro-biology in October 1983. While still attending Royce High School, she worked as a volunteer, helping the youngsters of a needy family.

Following her discharge from the Intelligence Corps, Bonnie worked her way through school as a waitress at the Hilton, then as a carpet salesperson, and finally as part-time clerk at the Finance Ministry. She is currently living in Kiryat Moshe, looking after the "menagerie" of a professor who is out of the country on sabbatical leave. Bonnie is also a vegetarian, a regimen she adopted after working in the barn and chicken coop in Kfar Yehoshua. As attractive as her sister, she is equally modest. Calligraphy is her latest hobby. Friends and family regret that she didn't pursue a theatrical career, as she had great success playing the role of Hannah Senesh while in high school.

## Chefs d'oeuvres

increase public awareness of our profession, especially when so many new hotels and tourist facilities are now springing up all over the country. There is a serious lack of professional chefs, and now the situation has worsened with the recent closure

of the Jerusalem Tadmor hotel training school.

Ideally, Brueh went on, youngsters interested in becoming chefs should begin work in hotel or restaurant kitchens at the age of 16 or 17, before army service. This experience, together with that gained in IDF kitchens, "gives young people an excellent background for being chefs afterwards."

Uri Guttman, outgoing chairman of the Chefs' Circle, stressed that the image of his profession "is pretty low in Israel. When we go abroad to participate in international culinary

competitions, we see that the image of our foreign colleagues is totally different. The Circle's chefs must do their best to change things here."

**A.L. MEANWHILE**, you can get fancy French food at the Jerusalem Hilton where three top French chefs are starting in a week of *haute cuisine*.

The three chefs — all from the Loire region — will be here until the 15th of the month. They are Michel Coulet, Jean-Claude Besnier and Rene Cherbouquet, leading members of the Loire Chefs' Association.

Asked how they would cope with the rules of *kashruth*, Besnier replied: "It is no problem at all. The only thing we have had to get used to is the presence of the *shomer* watching everything we do!"

Only Israeli wines will be served during the gastronomic week.

Said chef Coulet: "There is nothing at all to be ashamed of in Israeli wines — they are better than anything you can get from, say, California."

B.J.

Today is edited by Joanna Yehiel.

## ENTERTAINMENT

### TELEVISION

**EDUCATIONAL:**  
8.15 School Broadcasts 15.00 Everyman's Library: 20th Century Democracies and Dictatorships: The Environment: Cosmography 16.00 *Bartley* (part 2)  
16.25 *Suzanne Street* 17.00 *A New Evening* — live magazine  
**CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:**  
17.30 *Little House on the Prairie*: For the Love of Nancy  
18.20 *Story Time*  
**ARABIC LINGUISTIC PROGRAMMES:**  
18.30 *News roundup*  
18.35 *Samira's Kitchen*  
19.00 *Weekly News Magazine*

**HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume:**  
20.00 With a news roundup  
20.02 *Programme Trailer*  
20.13 *Love Boat: Sergeant Bull*  
20.14 *Inside China: The Kazakhs of China*  
20.20 *Les Compagnons de la Chanson* — entertainment  
21.40 *News*

**JORDAN TV (unofficial):**  
17.30 *Cartoons* 18.00 *French Hour* 18.30 (TV 3) *Nature film* 19.00 *News in French* 19.30 *News in Hebrew* 20.00 *News in Arabic* 20.30 *Three's Company* 21.00 *Best-seller* 22.00 *News in English* 22.15 *Madame Bovary*

### ON THE AIR

#### Voice of Music

6.20 Musical Clock  
7.07 *Schein: Suite No. 2*: Woerner: *Pavane*: M. Haydn: *Adagio*  
7.20 *Mozart: Flute Quartet No. 1*: K.285: *Mendelssohn: Octet* (Berlin): Liza: *Piano Concerto No. 1*: Puccini: 2 Arias from *Madama Butterfly*: Chopin: *Preludes*, Op.28, Nos. 15-26 (Marcha Argerich): *Bortnikowsky: Slavonic Concertante* for Piano, Harp, Strings and Bassoon  
9.30 *Burtshuld: Sonata for Violin, Viola de Gamba and Harpsichord*: *Chapman: Pastoral*: J. Stamitz: *Flute Concerto* (Rampall): *Vaughan-Williams: Quintet Fantasy: Tchaikovsky: Hamlet Music*, Op.67  
12.01 *Sara Fuvon-Hayman, Bart Berman, piano four-hands*: *Mozart: Sonata, K.497*: S. Shalish: *Balares* (with I. Arifai). *Outd*: Schubert: *Variations*, Op.35  
13.05 *Barber: School for Scandal*: L. Mozart: *Trumpet Concerto*: Schumann: *Introduction and Allegro Concertante*: *Chopin: Nocturne*: *Telemann: Viola Concerto*: *Karl Salomon: Concerto for 2 Flutes*: *Guillaume de Machaut: 2 Songs*: *Younman-Kumfort: Fantasy on Tea for Two*: *Dowland: 3 Dances*: *Albinoni: Adagio for Strings*: *Verdi: Excerpts from La Traviata*  
14.00 *Musik aus der Armenischen Church* 15.30 *Youth Programme*  
16.30 *Telemann: Magnificat*: *Haydn: Miss in Times of War*: *Bach: Chorale*. *Our Father in Heaven*: *Scheidt: Variations on the Theme, Our Father in Heaven* (Hilfich Rollat, organ)  
18.00 *Musik aus Many Answers* — Schubert: *Impromptu in B-flat major* 19.05 *Reethoven: Trio, Op.3, No.1*: *Mozart: Piano Concerto No.4, K.41*

*Bizet: Symphony in C major* 20.20 *The Camerata Trio*, with David Chen violin and viola — *Mozart: Trio, K.498*: *Beethoven: Trio, Op.11*: *Schubert: Trio, Op.99*  
21.00 *Music from the Distant Past*

#### First Programme

6.03 *Programmes for Olim*  
7.30 *Morning Concert* (from Voice of Music)  
9.30 *Encounter* — live family magazine  
9.30 *Programme in Easy Hebrew*  
11.10 *School Broadcasts*  
11.30 *Education for all*  
12.05 *Indian Songs*  
13.00 *News in English*  
13.30 *News in French*  
14.05 *Children's programmes*  
15.25 *World of Science (repeat)*  
15.53 *Notes on a New Book*  
16.05 *Free Period* — live education magazine  
17.12 *Jewish Ideas*  
17.20 *Everman's University*  
18.05 *Afternoon Classics*  
18.40 *Bible Reading*  
19.05 *Lesson in Tanit* by Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz  
19.30 *Programmes for Olim*  
22.05 *Child and Family Magazine*

#### Second Programme

6.12 *Gymnastics*  
6.30 *Editorial Review*  
6.53 *Green Light* — drivers' corner  
7.00 *This Morning* — news magazine  
8.05 *Safe Journey*  
9.05 *House Call* — with Rivka Michaeli  
10.10 *All Shades of the Network* — morning magazine  
12.05 *Open Line* — news and music  
13.00 *Midday* — news commentary, music  
14.10 *Matters of Interest*  
16.10 *Safe Journey*  
17.10 *Economics Magazine*  
17.30 *Of Men and Figures*

18.05 *The State of Israel* — situation 19.05 *Today* — radio newsreview  
19.30 *Sports Magazine*  
20.05 *Cantorial Requests*  
22.05 *Light music for wind ensembles*  
23.05 *Third Bell* — arts magazine

#### Army

6.06 *Morning Sounds*  
6.30 *University on the Air*  
7.07 *On Drivers and traffic* — traffic reports, music  
8.05 *Morning Newsreview*  
9.05 *Right Now* — with Rafi Restef  
11.05 *Israeli Winter* — Eli Yisraeli  
13.05 *Two Hours*  
15.05 *What's Wrong* — with Erez Tal  
16.05 *Four in the Afternoon*  
17.05 *Evening Newsreview*  
18.05 *Sports Magazine*  
19.05 *Music Today* — music magazine  
20.05 *Mabat* — TV Newsreview  
21.35 *University on the Air (repeat)*  
22.05 *Popular songs*  
23.05 *Music for Ever*  
00.05 *Night Birds* — songs, chat

#### ENGLISH BROADCASTS — ISRAEL RADIO

07.00-07.15 *News and Press Review*  
13.00-13.30 *News and Feature Programme*  
17.00-17.15 *News*  
20.00-20.15 *News Magazine*  
on 1st Programme  
— 576 kilohertz — centre and north  
— 1170 kilohertz — Jerusalem area

### CINEMAS

**JERUSALEM 4, 7, 9**  
Eden: *The Man*; Edison: *Lord of Discipline*; Habraha: *Pacific in Flames*; Kfir: *Operation Samrat*; Michaeli: *Rear Window* 7, 9.15; Oran: *To Be or Not to Be*; Oran: *Savage World*; Oran: *Return of Martin Guerre* 4, 7, 9.15; Oran: *Flash Dance* 7, 9; Oran: *Blayenad He'ama*; The Hunger 7, 9; Oran: *One Clockwork Orange* 6.45; Oran: *Non Troppo* 9.15; Cinema: *Zig Zag Story* 9.30

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#### TEL AVIV 4.30, 7.15, 9.30

*Alleyway: The Day After* 4.30, 7.10, 9.30; *Ben-Yehuda: My Tutor*; *Chen 1: Terms of Endearment* 4.30, 7, 9.35; *Chen 2: Never Cry Wolf* 4.35, 7.10, 9.40; *Chen 3: Trading Places* 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Chen 4: Experience Preferred But Not Essential* 4.45, 7.35, 9.35; *Front Page* 10.30, 1.30; *Chen 5: Officer and Gentleman* 4.30, 7, 9.40; *Pretty Girl* 10.30, 1.30; *Cinema One: Gone With the Wind* 4, 8; *Class: Conversation Piece* 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Delitti: To Be or Not to Be* 7.15, 9.30; *Drive-In: Sudden Impact* 7.15, 9.30; *Sex Film, midnight*; *Excerpt: Le Marginal* 7.15, 9.30; *Gat: I Love You Carmen*; *Gordon: Requiem for a Fool*; *Mod: Private School for Girls*; *Le 1: Return of Martin Guerre* 1.30, 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Le 2: We of the Newer World* 1.30, 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Le 3: The Chosen*; *Median Savage World* 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Mograb: Honorary Consul*; *Orly: Rear Window*; *Paris: The Missionary* 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; *Peor: Lord of Discipline*; *Shahad: Silkwood* 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Shahad: Educating Rita*; *Tekedat: Tender Mercies*; *Tel Aviv: Saying Alive*; *Tel Aviv Museum: Muddy River*; *Zafon: Fanny and Alexander* 4.30, 8.30

Haifa 4, 6.45, 9

*Amphitheatre: Savage World*; *Armon: Lord of Discipline*; *Armon: La Marginal*; *Chen: Vol. 9: Moriah*; *Over the Brooklyn Bridge* 6.45, 9; *Oran: Educating Rita*; *Orly: I Love You Carmen* 6.45, 9; *Peor: Return of Martin Guerre* 4.30, 7, 9.30; *Rear Window* 7, 9.15; *Oran: To Be or Not to Be* 9.15

**RAMAT GAN**  
*Armon: Looking for Mr. Goodbar* 7, 9.30; *Eye for an Eye* 4; *Lily: Educating Rita* 7.15, 9.30; *Oasis: Saying Alive* 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; *Oran: Who Will Love My Children?* 7.15, 9.30; *Ramat Gan: To Be or Not to Be* 7.15, 9.30

#### HERZLIYA

*David: Sudden Impact* 7.15, 9.30; *Tiferet: Thunder* 7.15, 9.15

#### HOLON

*Migdal: I Love You Carmen* 4, 7.15, 9.30; *Savoy: Gone With the Wind* 4, 8

## WHAT'S ON

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#### Jerusalem

**MUSEUMS**  
*Israel Museum*, Opening Exhibition (13.3 at 8 p.m.): *Master Drawings from Uffizi Gallery, Florence*, Continuing Exhibition: *Small Scale Modern Sculpture from the Museum*; *Joseph Zaritsky, Oil Paintings and Aquatints*; *David Schreuer, Painters and Advertisements*; *Henron, 4 Years of Design, art looks at Art*; *Dr. Erich Salomon, From a Photographer's Life* (until 17.3); *Ori Reisman, Paintings*; *Scrap, Creating Home Theatre Sets and Greeting Cards*; *Tom Seidman Freud, Permanent Collection of Judaica*; *Art, Archaeology and Contemporary Israeli Art*; *Backstaller Museum*; *Kadosh Barnea, Judean Kingdom fortress: How to Study the Past*

(for children, at Poley Centre). Closed Saturdays.  
**Visiting Hours:** Main Museum 10-5, At 11: Guided tour in English; *Leone Hammat Gader* with Ithar Hirschfeld 1.30; *Children's film*, "Chomps, The Million Dollar Dog".

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#### Tel Aviv

**MUSEUMS**  
*Tel Aviv Museum*, Exhibitions: *Comic Images in the Art of the 20th Century*, *Fine Letters*, *Isaac Hirschfeld 1.30*; *Children's film*, "Chomps, The Million Dollar Dog".  
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## Hevrat Ha'Ovdim head Danny Rosolio reacts to IMF recommendations 'Our small size makes us different'

By MACABEE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — What may be good for semi-bankrupt countries like Brazil and Poland is not necessarily good for Israel.

This is how Danny Rosolio, secretary-general of Hevrat Ha'Ovdim, feels about the recommendations made by delegates of the International Monetary Fund, now visiting Israel. He believes that the way to get Israel on its economic feet is to create a recession deliberately, with its accompanying growth in unemployment and the erosion of wages of those keeping their jobs.

Both of these foreign countries, and others in the same category, he says, "are huge compared to Israel, with cumbersome economic structures that cannot be easily influenced without drastic means. And the structure of their external debts is entirely different from ours."

But Israel is a small country, where half a dozen economic groups, more or less in constant contact with each other, dominate the economy. These groups include the government, the Histadrut, Hevrat Ha'Ovdim, the two large agricultural groups, and the Coordinating Committee of the Economic Organizations (which includes the Manufacturers Association), that represents the private sector.

"What it would take months to achieve abroad, can be done here in a few short weeks — even days — due to the compactness of the country."

As for Israel's foreign debt, it is huge, about \$24 billion, "but it is not terrifying, even if it is frightening."

The reason is that most of Israel's debt is long-term. Nevertheless, this debt is still frightening, because 40 per cent of it has to be serviced this year (repayment of loans or paying interest); moreover, the entire debt is 20 per cent larger than Israel's GNP.

The best way to reduce the comparative size of the debt is to increase the country's economic growth through investments, and not by causing a recession, "so that the debt, while it may remain very large, will shrink in proportion to the growing GNP."

Rosolio notes that the Koor Industrial complex (which is part of Hevrat Ha'Ovdim) is continuing its own "investment for growth" programme, despite the government demand for restraining growth, in line with the IMF recommendations.

Last year, for example, Koor increased the number of persons it employed by 2,000, from 32,000 to 34,000; and it increased its total output (or sales) by 7.5 per cent. "And our exports increased by nine per cent in 1983. This is our method of solving the country's economic problems: more employment, more production, more exports."

Hevrat Ha'Ovdim set up five new plants in development areas in 1983; another five, perhaps seven, should be completed by the end of 1985.

"And the moshavim movement is also moving into industrialization. Some 30 different projects are now being examined." Later, the Histadrut wants to start the industrialization of the Arab villages.

Rosolio points out that the industrialization of the outlying areas is of the utmost social importance. 25 per cent of all the jobs are in the development towns, yet these towns constitute only nine per cent of the country's total population.

"The young men have to find work; otherwise they will emigrate — not so much abroad — but to the large urban centres. They will leave the development towns lifeless, empty economic skeletons, prone to social upheavals."

Where would the "investment money for growth" come from? Koor has its own internal resources based on profits. But this is still not enough for the type of expansion which Rosolio envisages.

He would like to go back several years in time, when it could tap about 50 per cent of the monies flowing into the Histadrut's pension funds. This 50 per cent was then directed to "investing for growth," (under government supervision), but when Yigal Hurvitz became finance minister, he stopped the practice.

Today, some 92 per cent of the monies accruing to the Histadrut

implement some but not all of its recommendations.

The report itself has not been released, but Kotze said it called for revisions which would allow owners of public places to decide whether they will admit people of various race groups. This could mean the further desegregation of cinemas, restaurants and hotels.

Hotels and restaurants may now apply for permission to receive "international status," meaning blacks and whites may both be served.

In cities like Johannesburg, most restaurants freely admit blacks, but this varies widely throughout the country. Cinemas remain totally segregated, with most of them for whites only.

Kotze also said a special report on modifying other race laws had been completed and the government would introduce legislation to

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He gave no details of the size or location of the discovery. Libya currently pumps about 1.1 million barrels of oil daily. Oil executives in Libya had told the Associated Press they were drilling for oil in the Mediterranean Sea near the border with Tunisia. But it was unknown if that was the location of the discovery mentioned by Gaddafi.

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Danny Rosolio

pension funds must be used to buy government index-linked bonds.

There is nothing wrong in this — if the government would use the funds to expand the country's economy. But it doesn't. It uses the funds for its day-to-day expenses."

Not only would Rosolio like to resume the earlier set-up, but he thinks that the government itself should use the monies it raises through the sale of index-linked bonds for building the economy.

But the government thinks that the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, that is, private enterprise, can replace government investments in the economy. So far, the stock exchange has not proved an adequate substitute.

On another subject, Rosolio is not too happy with what he calls "the rate of efficiency of internal cooperation" within Hevrat Ha'Ovdim. There are some 300 plants in the kibbutzim; another 100 in Koor; still another 12 in Tnuv. "All their activities should be much closer coordinated, and this I feel is my task." He expects to set up the instruments for such coordination, but promises that the existing instruments will not be destroyed in the process.

Bank of Israel exchange rates

March 9, 1984	IS
U.S. dollar	143.47
British sterling	210.07
German mark	55.847
French franc	18.107
Dutch guilder	49.490
Swiss franc	67.553
Swedish krona	18.733
Norwegian krone	19.260
Danish krone	15.262
Finnish mark	25.721
Canadian dollar	113.29
Australian dollar	137.09
South African rand	120.46
Belgian franc (10)	27.271
Austrian schilling (10)	79.331
Italian lire (100)	89.694
Japanese yen (100)	64.192
Irish pound	171.05
Spanish peseta (100)	96.535
Jordanian dinar	388.80
Lebanese lira	26.570
Egyptian pound	125.00

## TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET REPORT Share values continue to surge upwards

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN  
Post Finance Reporter

The Tel Aviv Stock Exchange is considered as one of the world's most volatile exchanges. Prices are known to fluctuate in a single session by tens of percentage points.

For the second consecutive week share prices surged ahead strongly last week, and in some instances even dramatically so. All groups of shares participated in the ongoing rally. To fully appreciate the volatility of the local exchange as well as the strength of the market, one need only to glance at the table in adjacent columns.

Looking more closely at individual performances the volatility is even further underscored. Listed below are some of the major one-session winners of the week:

	+33.9%
Baranowitz	+30.3%
Yardenia 0.5	+51.4%
Israel Electric	+29.3%
Amnonim	+27.6%
Mishael	+56.1%
Argaman Ord.	

It is of little surprise to any objective observer that such scintillating

performances act as a powerful magnet in attracting a wave of new investors who have mostly stayed away from the exchange since its collapse in January, 1983.

Nat Shilo, deputy general manager of the exchange, confirming to *The Jerusalem Post* that the circle of investors currently participating in the market is growing.

"The pattern of the market where prices surge ahead strongly for several sessions, and then react favourably in the aftermath of profit-taking is a positive development," he said.

There are differences of opinion as to the exact sum of money that will come into the hands of the public this year from lapsed savings schemes and redeemed index-linked bonds. Some have placed the

figure at \$350 billion.

In addition, non-residents who maintain investment accounts in Israeli banks are beginning to return to the share market.

In last week's trading it was the oil sector that stood out, as it benefited from strong demands coming in response to rumours that announcement of an oil find is imminent. Mutual funds reportedly have been major investors in some of the oil issues.

As the share market climbs rapidly, the only sobering note was sounded by Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad upon his return from the U.S. He reported that his American counterparts are continuing to exert pressures on Israel to take even more stringent steps to improve the balance of payments.

## Volcker comments bring drop in stock prices

WALL STREET WEEK

A day after his initial comments, Volcker seemed to dismiss the idea that he was hinting at a more restrictive credit policy. He said he had been "a little puzzled" by the markets' behaviour.

But by then the mood was set for the week on Wall Street. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks tumbled 31.72 to 1,139.76, wiping out its net gain of 22.61 points during the two preceding weeks. The New York Stock Exchange composite index dropped 2.73 to 88.9

and the American Stock Exchange market value index was down 5.61 at 207.14.

The markets and Volcker, of course, share a common, oft-stated concern — the question of what ought to be done, and what can be done, about the federal budget deficit.

Wall Street's close watch on Volcker and the Fed will continue up to and through the last week of March, when the central bank's policy-setting open market committee is scheduled to hold its next meeting.

## South Africa to change some race laws

By NEIL LEWIS

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## Turkey tries to meet Iran's need for shrouds

IZMIR (AP). — A Turkish state-owned company here is operating at full capacity to meet a growing Iranian demand for burial cloth, a Turkish news agency reported yesterday.

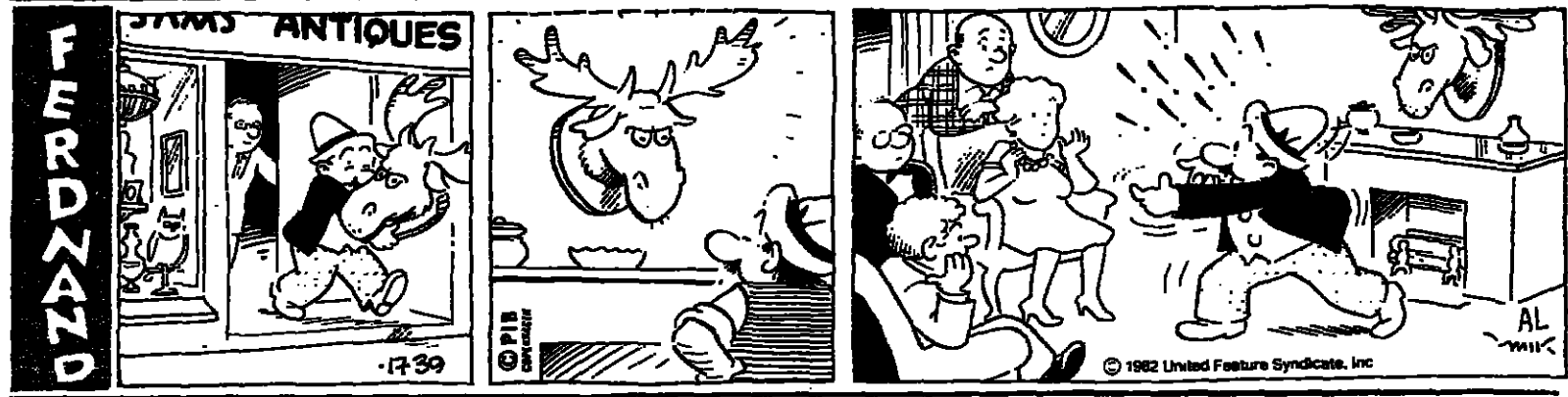
In a dispatch from this Aegean coast city, the Hurriyet Habero Jansi reported Turkey's exports of burial shrouds to neighbouring Iran rose markedly since the recent flare-up in fighting between Iran and Iraq.

Quoting officials of the Sumerbank textile concern, the agency said the first shipment involved one million metres of crude cloth under an accord reached with Iranian officials last year.

The officials say the exported cloth was being used primarily for burial according to Moslem tradition. Under Moslem practice a body must be washed thoroughly and wrapped up in white fabric before it is buried.

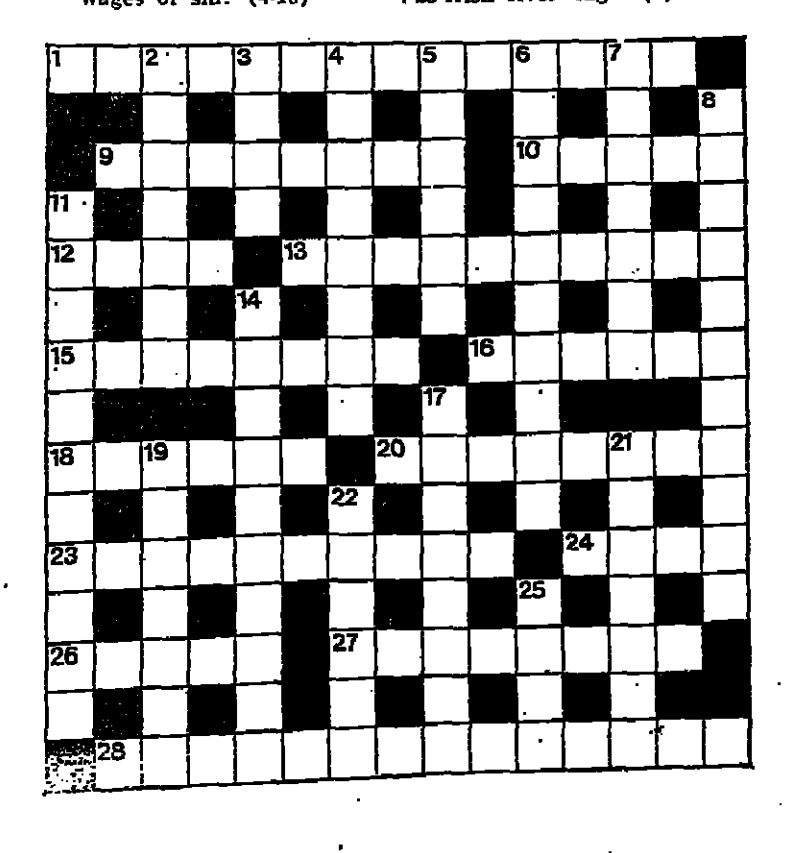
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March 9, 1984	IS
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British sterling	210.07
German mark	55.847
French franc	18.107
Dutch guilder	49.490
Swiss franc	67.553
Swedish krona	18.733
Norwegian krone	19.260
Danish krone	15.262
Finnish mark	25.721
Canadian dollar	113.29
Australian dollar	137.09
South African rand	120.46
Belgian franc (10)	27.271
Austrian schilling (10)	79.331
Italian lire (100)	89.694
Japanese yen (100)	64.192
Irish pound	171.05
Spanish peseta (100)	96.535
Jordanian dinar	388.80
Lebanese lira	26.570
Egyptian pound	125.00



## ONE-AND-ONE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
- Treat all round at a launching (4, 3, 4, 3)
  - They're not attached to sailing craft for decoration (8)
  - Notes a difference at the start (5)
  - Was sorry to send the revolutionary round the bend (4)
  - Place of worship on the blower in Essex (10)
  - Final period of a shoemaker's working life? (4, 4)
  - Australian port for a naturalist (6)
  - Type-cast mould of Marxist lacking direction (6)
  - Unearthed truffles (6, 2)
  - Repulsive article returned to us during a meal (10)
  - 24 Reflect on a Hebridean isle (4)
  - 26 Band round Mr Starr (5)
  - 27 Stupid reply briefly upsetting Irene (8)
  - 28 Academic who taxes the wages of sin? (4-10)
- DOWN
- Originally weighing pounds in Greece, they say (7)
  - Colour of one in explosive form (4)
  - Iris and pupil see things like this (3, 2, 3)
  - Curio's master under Orion's influence (6)
  - The potato's unusual product. Possibly why it's a tuber (10)
  - Loosen a foreign propeller (7)
  - On hand, one hears, for the greedy (7, 4)
  - Myra in peril (11)
  - Introduction that may put delivering the goods? (6, 4)
  - Events affecting boy making progress? (6-2)
  - 19 Could bring ruin to a Belgian town (7)
  - 21 Vessel face about during the day (7)
  - 22 Join back to back at church (6)
  - 25 Irish river eagle (4)



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  - Egg-shaped
  - Unbroken
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## Sports

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

## Ohana's relief as Betar steal a point

By PAUL KOHN  
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV — Eli Ohana with a well taken opportunistic effort broke the Betar Jerusalem goal drought four minutes before the final whistle to give Betar a vital draw against visiting Tel Aviv, before 5,000 fans at the YMCA ground yesterday.

Four games and 480 minutes of football had passed before Ohana finally ended the Betar fans' goal thirst. But it was hardly a refreshing shower for the league leaders have still not won in their last six games. They can thank Hapoel Lod for retaining their three-point lead at the top of the National League as they battled back to hold challenging Maccabi Haifa to a 2-2 draw in Haifa.

Back in second place are now Hapoel Tel Aviv, 1-0 winners of the Tel Aviv derby over Maccabi before 18,000 spectators at the Bloomfield Stadium. It is now six seasons since Maccabi have managed to beat Hapoel. Moshe Sinai got the all important winner from the penalty spot in the 35th minute, after Shabtai Levy had been fouled by Avi Yehoshua. In the 70th minute, Avi Cohen (formerly of Liverpool fame) failed to get the Maccabi equalizer when he shot weakly from the penalty spot, enabling veteran goalkeeper Arie Bejerano to dive full length and divert the ball. Rafi Ben Hamu of Maccabi was on hand to shoot again, but ballooned his effort wide.

It was an evenly fought match, making up in keenness what it lacked in class, especially in the second half. Until his poor penalty shot, Avi Cohen was outstanding in defence and midfield for Maccabi. Vicky Peretz was replaced at halftime because of injury by Meir Hanuka. For Hapoel, Rifat Turk had a fine second half, and was totally dominant in the air, while Sinai showed considerable flair. Only his penalty has so far beaten Tamir Gilat, a law student at Tel Aviv University, who is Maccabi's new goalkeeper.

The 42nd was the crucial but unhappy minute for Maccabi Haifa. At that point they had led 2-0, after another sparkling display, and more goals by Zahi Armeli and Moshe Selektor. Armeli found himself before an open Lod goal and needed only to tap the ball in to send Haifa three up into the half. Instead, the striker stroked the ball wide. Gratefully, Lod swept upfield and within seconds Victor Ohion scored their opening goal to make it rather a vulnerable 2-1 scoreline.

## FA CUP Watford reach last four

LONDON (Reuters). — Second half goals by Andy Gray of Everton and Les Taylor and John Barnes of Watford earned the First Division clubs a place in the semifinals of the English FA Cup yesterday.

Gray's 47th minute effort gave Everton a 2-1 quarter-final win a Notts County and Taylor and Barnes (on target twice), enabled Watford to dismiss hosts Birmingham 3-1 in the other all-First Division tie.

### F.A. Cup, quarter-finals

Birmingham 1, Watford 3  
Notts County 1, Everton 2  
Plymouth 0, Derby 0

### DIVISION ONE

Arsenal 4, Ipswich 1  
Liverpool 3, Tottenham 1  
Manchester United 2, Leicester 0  
QPR 2, Coventry 0

Stoke 1, Aston Villa 0  
West Ham 1, W. Overhampstead 1

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Liverpool	31	18	9	4	54	22	63
Man. Utd.	31	17	10	4	59	31	61
West Ham	31	16	9	6	50	32	54
Wolves	30	16	9	5	54	34	53
Sheff. Wed.	29	17	7	7	57	29	57
Sheff. Utd.	31	15	5	11	47	38	50
Derby	31	12	8	11	48	48	44
QPR	30	12	13	5	43	42	41
Sheff. Friars	30	11	9	10	35	34	42
Reading	30	12	5	13	47	48	41
Adams	29	12	12	7	42	43	41
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## Taming the shrew

FOR MANY weeks an intensive lobbying effort has been taking place behind the scenes to determine who will be the next chairman and the next director-general of the Israel Broadcasting Authority. The terms of both posts expire at the end of this month.

More is at stake than patronage or prestige. Ever since the advent of TV broadcasting in Israel, government has been painfully sensitive about the messages transmitted on the airwaves.

This, of course, was foreseen. To assure that broadcasting would be both judicious and independent, a broadcasting authority was established. This authority, headed by a committee of public figures representing a wide spectrum of political, social and cultural interests, was designed to be at arms-length from the government. The committee was to embody the general public interest. Led by its chairman, appointed by the Minister of Education and Culture, it was meant to supervise the activities of the professional staff. That staff was directed by, and accountable to, a director-general — a professional — also appointed by the government.

The system has been problematic. The committee, and its chairman, have always found it difficult to put their stamp on broadcasting, for the professionals, including the director-general, do not owe them their appointments. The professionals, for their part, have resented intrusion by what they consider representatives of external vested interests.

The director-general has been caught in the middle. His capacity to manage the professionals has depended in no small measure on his ability to impress them with his independence of the committee and its chairman. Yet his capacity to function has depended, as well, on his willingness to accept the chairman's authority.

And hovering over both the chairman and the director-general has been the shadow of government.

When the Likud took power, it sought to reform what it considered to be a hostile broadcasting authority. That Labour had also seen the authority as hostile was of little moment. The Likud's chance came in 1979. It appointed Professor Reuven Yaron as chairman and veteran newspaper journalist, Yosef Lapid, director-general. Both were expected to reflect the Likud's new nationalism.

And indeed conflict with the professional staff soon developed. Intervention, especially in the TV news department, sometimes made almost as much news as the news itself. What the professional TV journalists considered proper delivery of relevant information, the director-general or his chairman considered angled or politically-inspired news management. And vice versa.

During the past two years however, the conflicts have lessened. Each side has compromised and learned to live with the other. The journalists accept the more constricted parameters, the chairman and the director-general guard professional prerogatives within them.

But the government is not satisfied. It prefers a wholly tame and toothless broadcasting system. To achieve this it has adopted a two-tier strategy. For the long range it desires to establish a second, and commercial, TV channel which it believes would be more pliable. In the short range it seeks to bring in new brooms.

Prime Minister Shamir insists that the present director-general be replaced by a newspaper journalist, the premier's former spokesman, whose only visible credential is political fidelity to the ruling party. And Education Minister Hammer hanging on to his patronage rights, insists on appointing one of his own coterie as chairman.

These appointments will take politicization of the authority a huge step beyond what was deemed acceptable in 1979. Then at least the personal qualifications, and not simply the political identity, of the candidates were still thought relevant.

Perhaps Mr. Shamir and his colleagues feel confident that intimidation of the professional staff has advanced sufficiently to erase any possibility that the professionals will resist the new rule. Or perhaps they are ready to welcome resistance as an opportunity to revamp the authority on the professional level as well.

In either case, what is plain is that the broadcasting authority is being denuded of the independence it was meant to have. It would be more forthright, therefore, to discard the present structure altogether, and go back to the times when broadcasting was a department of the Prime Minister's Office. That, if not honourable, would at least be honest.

## PULLBACK

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and will return here at the weekend for a meeting with Prime Minister Shamir.

His visit comes shortly after the Soviets vetoed a French initiative at the Security Council to send UN troops to Beirut to take over from the multinational force. But Israeli sources say the French have not despaired of negotiating a new proposal acceptable to both superpowers, and meanwhile the British have suggested that the small contingent of UN observers in Beirut be beefed up to help monitor a cease-fire in the city.

In Israel, there has been a slight but significant shift of position, or at least of tone, towards the idea of a UN role — and this will not have escaped Urquhart and his chief, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar. In several public statements, Shamir made a point of noting that he did not oppose a UN role, and there has been none of the

previously frequent public disparagement of Unifil in official Israeli rhetoric of late.

Last night, senior officials here made it clear that Israel was not "at this stage" thinking of Unifil as an integral part of a security system for South Lebanon. Israel, they said, still did not regard Unifil as a fighting force or even as an effective buffer force between the PLO and Southern Lebanon.

But nor is there the kneejerk rejection of Unifil that formerly characterized Israeli thinking, the senior officials observed. Shamir and his top aides are ready, and indeed eager, to hear what Urquhart has to say.

They are also favourable to the idea of a broader UN role inside Lebanon, as an instrument of peace-keeping, pacification and conciliation. "If the UN can succeed in the North," said one official, "that in itself would have a helpful effect in the South."

THE WELL-MEANING school-teacher in Rehavia, Dr. Uriel Reshef, who spoke about the superiority of western culture over eastern cultures, has unwittingly opened a can of worms. Political mischief-makers are seizing their opportunity. They pretend that what he favours is Ashkenazi culture over Sephardi culture.

He cannot possibly have meant that, and for the simplest reason: there is no such thing as Ashkenazi culture. Jewish culture exists — it has done since biblical times — but an Ashkenazi Jewish culture as distinct from a Sephardi Jewish culture? That must be a figment of someone's overheated imagination.

The Jews of Eastern Europe did develop over the centuries a Yiddish culture, which is something different. First of all, with the sad passing of those communities it has disappeared. Secondly, it was not a culture that stood comparison with other cultures for its civilizing qualities.

Yiddish was a folk-culture. It expressed — and relieved — the hardships of a poor and persecuted people. It did not aspire to be an elite code which must be communicated to other nations for their moral edification.

If Reshef is guilty of brow-beating lesser mortals, it is not by extolling the merits of a way of life which we remember with sympathy, but which belonged to the ghetto and disappeared with the ghetto. His offence, if it is an offence, was to advocate the primacy of another culture altogether, a secular one which prevails in countries that Ashkenazim happen to inhabit: the liberal culture of the western world.

The people who should bridle at that are not the Sephardim, many of whom share that European culture. The ones who can legitimately feel injured are the followers of religious Orthodoxy.

RESHEF HAS revived the age-old clash between Zealots and Hellenists. His barbs are directed against those, Ashkenazi and Sephardi alike, who believe textually in the Torah and abide exclusively by its Talmudic interpretation.

## READERS' LETTERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I refer to Michal Yudelman's report of February 23, "TA engineering officials told not to talk to journalists."

Until now, I was convinced that The Jerusalem Post published news stories like the rest of the press. I also know how difficult it is for public institutions to get favourable news reports published about their activities, since newspapers usually claim that good news is not news.

So I was surprised to read your report about the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipality, according to which workers in the city's engineering administration were forbidden to talk to journalists without the prior authorization of the municipal spokesman. This is one of the strangest news stories I have come across, since every journalist in Israel knows that all civil servants (governmental, municipal, etc.) have always had to get prior authorization from their organization's spokesman to speak with the press. This is not a custom, but an order included in the book of regulations of government workers. Hatakskir, and anybody who contravenes it is liable to be brought before a disciplinary court.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The Israel Hotel Association, like the proverbial ostrich, has its head buried in the sand.

Despite empty rooms and Eilat now turned into a ghost town, Israel's hoteliers refuse to admit that their rates are too high, their service deficient, and their hotels over-rated. The country lacks most of the amenities that interest the ordinary tourist seeking relaxation and entertainment. So we get only those whose specific interest is Israel, or who are here to visit family and are willing to pay the price. Otherwise, why come here where there are no casinos, no horse-racing, the night life is tame, the rabbi control what you eat and drink, the world press publicizes bombs and terror.

My wife and I recently spent a weekend in Eilat, staying at what is rated as a four-star hotel. The rate for Israelis was \$5600 plus 15 per cent VAT or \$6440 per night, for a double room with breakfast. At that time this was equivalent to \$64. The

## COOKERY COURSE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The article on Ezrath Nashim's cookery course in Haim Shapiro's column of February 24 missed out on a very important point. It is due to the advice and encouragement of Haim Shapiro that the course has been completely sold out, and promises to be an overwhelming success.

# AGE-OLD CLASH

By DAVID KRIVINE

There are today two versions of the Jewish heritage. One, which we shall for the sake of convenience associate with the house of Shamai, sees it as a book of rules that must be obeyed literally and blindly. Ours not to reason why. All is contained in the Holy Books: not one iota must be changed.

Reshef's philosophy, which we may attribute to the house of Hillel, is receptive to new ideas. His version of Judaism stresses the rational, the humanitarian, the freedom-loving aspects of the Jewish faith. The laws of the Torah are not arbitrary edicts from on high, requiring compliance regardless of the purpose they serve. They are rules of conduct guiding man away from the bad and towards the good. Jews must understand what the Torah is trying to teach. They must observe the spirit rather than the letter of the law.

The Greek philosophy of life and the Hillel school's version of Judaism form the twin foundations on which western culture was built. That culture infuses Israel's secular society. It has contributed to catalysing the several varieties of Jewish religious reform that have sprung up in the Diaspora.

However, it has had no impact whatsoever on Orthodoxy in Israel: and this is where the clash between the religious and the secular in the Jewish state originates.

LET US take the issue of Petah Tikva's cinemas. A majority on the town council wants them open on the Sabbath. The religious insist on keeping them shut and are prepared to fight for that demand.

Extremists on both sides mis-

understand the nature of the controversy. They believe the conflict is over whether it is proper for a Jew to watch the capers of play-actors on the screen during the one holy day of the week.

The liberals do not say that it is or isn't proper; they are not didactic on this point. They leave it to the individual. Every man is free to decide whether he should go to synagogue, or alternatively seek more mundane entertainments. The western stand is not anti-religious; it is pro-personal freedom.

The Petah Tikva town council is following the precepts of western culture faithfully. It has not closed the synagogues; it has simply declared that, just as synagogues are open on Friday night, so cinemas should be open on Friday night. Anyone wanting to make his devotion is free to attend a synagogue service. Anyone preferring comedy or drama is entitled to buy a ticket and watch a film.

One alternative does not interfere with the other. This is the beauty of the liberal philosophy; and this is where Jewish Orthodoxy deviates from Reshef's western culture. The devout bearded demonstrator in Petah Tikva thinks that what is in dispute is the law of the Torah.

He is mistaken. Liberal-minded people do not take issue over religion. Some are themselves believers, and accept that Jews have a duty to abide by the precepts of Judaism. What they cannot accept is the principle of coercion. Jews in Israel are being forced to conform. There is a clash here between freedom of thought and religious compulsion. That is what the argument is about.

No one queries the right of the observant Jew to eat kosher and refrain from travelling on the Sabbath. What is queried is the urge among the authorities to turn that right into an obligation.

THE HOUSE OF SHAMAI see Judaism as the collective heritage of the Jewish people, and obedience to God as the collective responsibility of the entire community. All traffic should be brought to a stop on the Sabbath, so that a holy silence settles over the land. The worship of God has to be universal, otherwise Israel is not a Jewish state.

That is a splendid vision, but there has to be a proviso. Universal worship is indeed a magnificent thing — provided all the worshippers join in the prayers of their own free will out of true religious conviction.

The rabbis do not see that; their lore is positively medieval. Instead of being teachers, they turned into politicians. They compel obedience. They don't influence people to opt for religion, they impose the decision by statute. They do not care what each of their congregants thinks in his heart of hearts; they are concerned only with his public behaviour.

The liberal approach is superior to the theocratic, for two reasons. First, it prevents violent clashes between groups holding contrary opinions. It permits peaceful co-existence. Each side is presented with a fair challenge: to persuade the other by argument and example.

Religious bigots who present their case by stone-throwing and abuse are guilty of desecrating that very Jewish moral code which they claim to defend.

Secondly, the liberals differentiate between genuine belief and bogus pretence. To abstain from eating pork because the stuff is locked away and you can't lay your hands on it is meaningless as a religious act.

Why does the Torah forbid pork? Not because there is something inherently unclean about this particular farmyard animal. The ban is a deprivation imposed on the faithful, an act of self-denial to prove their obedience to the will of God.

To make transgression impossible

— by abolishing pork — is to miss the point. Pork should, on the contrary, be made freely available, as it is and always has been in the Diaspora. The Jew proves his fidelity to the faith by performing an act of rejection, that is, by refusing to eat foods which, although on offer, are impure in the eyes of the Lord.

THE RABBINICAL practice of piety on command and religion by edict sometimes results in absurdities which border on the ridiculous. Hotels forbid smoking on the Sabbath in the public rooms, but not how can they? — in the private rooms. Dinner-guests may not be served white coffee after a meat meal in the dining-room. All they need is to step in the adjoining lounge where they are at liberty to order coffee with milk.

Are such empty rituals, performed mechanically and often resentfully, of any value? The Jew who eats ritually-slaughtered meat in an El Al plane because that is what the steward lays before him is no different from the gentile who happens to be occupying the next seat and finds himself doing the same.

Are the two unbelievers, Jew and gentile, performing a mitzva by eating kosher without meaning to?

In other areas of Israeli life, the liberal culture of the West prevails without anybody disputing it. Democracy, free speech, freedom of conscience, the rule of law, equality before the law — these are all taken for granted. All Uriel Reshef says is that the liberal tradition which dominates in the West dominates in most areas of Israeli life too and should be accepted as the civilized way of conducting human affairs.

It stands closer to the true nature and spirit of the Torah than the stuffy, rigid, formalistic interpretation made by the followers of the house of Shamai who rule among the religious establishment in Israel.

All of which only goes to confirm that the merits and demerits of the liberal western culture have nothing whatever to do with the division between Ashkenazi and Sephardi inside the Jewish community.

The writer is a member of The Jerusalem Post editorial staff.

## WHAT IS NEWS?

Thus, your report is not a news story, but simply a quotation of standing regulations, and I doubt whether you have extra space to publish government regulations instead of important news stories.

I may sound a little cynical — with the best of intentions, of course — but it is merely in order to stress my point, that your criticism about the fact that municipal workers were told not to be interviewed except with the appropriate permission is not correct.

RONI RIMON,  
Municipal Spokesman

Tel Aviv.  
Michal Yudelman comments:

My report stated that the new regulations refer not only to journalists, but to any member of the public who happens to request a building file from the engineering administration's archives, and this was the main thrust of the story.

As for the regulations concerning journalists, they may exist but the fact is nobody adhered to them or showed signs of being at all aware of them. Only after this reporter started searching — and publishing — news of irregularities and illegal

building overlooked or ignored by the city, did the workers suddenly receive instructions not to talk to journalists.

According to municipal workers, the "new regulations" forbid them to show files to anyone not directly related to the building in question. Until now anyone could ask for any building file from the archives and get it. Now it is much more difficult to do so, and even engineers working with the city have difficulty in obtaining files they are working on.

As a result, it will now be almost impossible to discover illegal buildings and other irregularities perpetrated by city officials. In the interest of proper public administration, Rimmon should push for open archives instead of ordering officials to clam up.

My story also mentioned the disappearance of the armchairs in the archives, which had served the public. These armchairs were removed from the archive reception area after this reporter was "caught" studying the Shapira house file while sitting in one of them. I doubt that their removal will discourage any journalist in hot pursuit of a story, but it will inconvenience the public.

## WHAT'S WRONG WITH ISRAEL'S HOTELS

room was clean and comfortable, but hardly up to international four-star standards in furnishings. The bathroom had one medium sized bath towel and one face towel per person, no facial tissues, two tiny pieces of soap (not replaced daily). The room had no TV and an inoperable radio with two non-functioning positions on the dial. Our two morning Israel buffet breakfasts were atrocious. The coffee shop outfitted with four tables, a counter with five stools and two video games, sported a coffee-stained, mimeographed menu with unappetizing suggestions at high prices. The service was consequently

A foreign tourist at the same hotel, not travelling in a group, is charged \$76 plus 15 per cent service charge, or \$87.40 for the same room. Why should he come to Eilat at that price for the privilege of sunning himself at the hotel pool or on the beach, the only pleasures Eilat has to offer, or pay \$2.50 at a local cafe for a glass of beer or \$20 for a

badly served meal in a sleazy restaurant? For \$95 a week he can have a twin-bed studio apartment with private bath at a superior-class apartment hotel in Tenerife, with buffet breakfast and daily maid service and access to the Canary Islands' many amenities.

Or, he can, as we are now about to do, stay in London at a first-class hotel, which we know from previous visits, at \$44 per night, double, with a buffet breakfast, in a clean, comfortable room with bath, TV, radio, unlimited towels, and fast, amiable service.

Only the refusal of the government to cover the Israel hoteliers' losses will, eventually, wake them up or put them out of business.

S. LUBIN  
Beersheba.

## CONTROL OF HISTADRUT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The unfortunate death of Ya'acov Levinson has brought forth a call, from some quarters of the Labour Party, for that party to reassert and strengthen its control over the Histadrut and its institutions.

As a member of the Histadrut, I oppose this view. It is the role of a socialist, social democratic, or labour party to politically represent the working class, and not the other way around. If anything, the Histadrut should strengthen its control over the Labour Party.

Kibbutz Barkai. DOV KESTEN

## COMMUNICATING WITH ISRAELIS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Just who is not speaking to whom?

At a recent talk in Philadelphia, Amos Oz said that it was essential that Diaspora Jews and Israelis talk directly to each other, and not through the pages of The New York Times. Of course, he is right. But Israelis can be very difficult to communicate with.

Recently, our Tsavta Club had the

honour of inviting a group of 16 Israel Air Force pilots to our backyard cook-out. I am sorry to report that the Israelis spent the evening bunched together at three or four contiguous tables. After a few unsuccessful attempts at communicating (in English), I gave up and left them to their own devices.

Mr. Oz, take heed.

SIDNEY SILVIAN  
Columbus, Ohio.

## UNFAIR TAX

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — After reading various letters to The Post about the unfair travel tax, from immigrants from all parts of the world living in all parts of Israel, we have decided that the time has come to do something about it.

All those who agree with us that the travel tax is unfair are requested to send us their family name, number of people in the family, year of aliyah, and the country they have come from, so that their names can be included in a petition. The petition will be sent to the minister of finance, with a copy to the prime minister, to try to get them to realise how very unfair the travel tax is, and hopefully they will decide to either reduce it or abolish it entirely.

Please send this information as soon as possible, to either Melanie Bloch, 11/6 Rehov Ben-Gurion, Ra'anana, or Eileen Freedman, 10 Rehov Ben-Gurion, Ra'anana.

MELANIE BLOCH  
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Ra'anana.

## ELECTORAL REFORM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Hurrah for Gad Ya'acobi (interview in The Post of February 28).

It is exactly two years since the formation in the Knesset of a multi-party committee to change the electoral system. The majority of the electorate is today sick and tired of the present system. According to the number of MKs who responded to CCC's lobby, so are almost 50 per cent of Knesset members across the board.

We urge all those who are interested in joining the campaign to change the present system to one of regional proportional representation to contact our office 05-650999. Only public pressure on the Knesset members will ensure that Ya'acobi's plan is accepted by a 61 majority on the board.

ZELDA HARRIS  
National Director  
Committee of Concerned Citizens  
Tel Aviv.

M.D. FENASTONE  
Tel Aviv.

## ELECTRICITY BILLS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The Electric Corporation encourages us to pay its bills by standing bank order, assuring us that the account will be rendered and marked with a date before which the money will not be debited by the bank. This, in fact, is done.

The trap only appears when one examines the accounts of one's neighbours who have not joined the system. Their accounts show a final date for payment which is five days after the date on which the bank automatically pays standing orders.

Thus, a person who pays his own bills has the use of his money for an extra five days — and this assumes greater significance if the due date coincides with the end of the month, when the standing order would be paid at the end of the month, whereas the person who pays independently can postpone his payment to the beginning of the next month.

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